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## Three Tri-Town Athletes Named for Award

By Anne O'Brien-Kakley

Three Tri-Town student-athletes have been named as finalists for the prestigious Dave Cowens Achievement Award, which goes to the top male and female athletes in the region. The recipient is selected by a group of southeastern Massachusetts school representatives, who look over a pool of finalists and pick a male and female winner based on athletic accomplishments, academic standing and attitude.

The three Tri-Town nominees are: Marion resident **Michelle Franklin**, Rochester resident **Nick Filloramo**, and for Bishop Stang, Marion resident **Ted Bancroft**.

According to Coach Bob Hohne, Lady Bulldog Michelle Franklin has been "the heart and soul of the Lady Bulldogs for the past three seasons". Ms. Franklin's GPA is 3.71 and she plans to study nursing when she attends college next year.

Coach Hohne describes Ms. Franklin as a "blue collar" worker on the court, using her "controlled passion" as an example for other athletes. She is a leader, and has averaged nearly 11 points a game. Besides her skill on the court, Ms. Franklin volunteers for her church choir and an elderly visitation program.

Mr. Filloramo, a three-year varsity member, is captain of the basketball team, a baseball captain and a soccer captain. In 2009, Mr. Filloramo was named an S.C.C. all-star pitcher. A member of the National Honor Society and a volunteer for an area food pantry, Mr. Filloramo is a rounded and compassionate student who plans on attending Wheaton College next year.

Bishop Stang has nominated Ted Bancroft, a co-captain for the varsity basketball team. Mr. Bancroft averaged 13.5 points per game and is an Eastern Athletic Conference All-Star. Besides excelling at basketball, Mr. Bancroft also excels at golf and is a member of the National Honor Society. In community service, Mr. Bancroft has helped raise money for the Special Olympics, ALS and St. Anne's Hospital.

21 area schools participate in the annual Dave Cowens Award. The winner will be announced at the awards reception at the Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School at 1121 Ashley Boulevard in New Bedford on Wednesday, March 10 at 5:00 pm.

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*On the Cover: A Hillbilly Dinner Dance was held at Redman Hall in Wareham on Saturday, February 27, 2010 to benefit the 11th annual Rochester Country Fair. After dinner, Twinkies were provided for dessert and The Relics provided music. This year's Rochester Country Fair will be held on August 19, 20 and 21 at Plumb Corner and the theme will be "Hillbilly Days". Photos by Felix Perez.*

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## Mattapoisett Considers Farmers' Market

By Anne O'Brien-Kakley

When Mother Nature starts throwing a few mild days our way, and when those tiny shoots of daffodils and crocuses make their appearance, our thoughts turn to summer. Thanks to the influx of "locavorism" – that is, love of locally grown food – those summer thoughts include heirloom tomatoes and strolls through a well-stocked farmers' market.

Although the Tri-Town has enjoyed its own farmers' market for several years now at the Plumb Corner location in Rochester, Mattapoisett is hoping to collaborate with the Rochester Market to share vendors and distribute in a location that is central to the Tri-Town and has easy access to the highway. Right now, the eyed location would be Old Rochester Regional, since it is centrally located on Route 6 and near 195.

Although the season is quickly approaching, Mattapoisett Town Administrator Michael Gagne is hoping to "hustle" to get the farmers' market up and moving. The Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen has been receptive to the plans as well. One of the first steps is getting approval of school usage for a farmers' market at an Old Rochester Regional School Committee meeting.

Proposed locations for the farmers' market included Old Hammondtown – even the town wharf was considered for a farmers' market location at one point, but it was crossed off the list since the parking is difficult there and it was thought that the farmers' market could conflict with all the other activities that occur at Shipyard Park. Besides being a central location for the Tri-Town, ORR has been considered an ideal spot since it has ample parking space and room for vendors to set up.



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School locations for farmers' markets have proven to be ideal for other markets, like the Fairhaven market, which sets up on Sunday mornings on the Fairhaven High School lawn. The schools are town property and have more than enough room for the traffic that a farmers' market usually draws.

According to Southeastern Massachusetts Agricultural Partnership (SEMAP) executive director Jay Coburn, the proposed Mattapoisett Farmers' Market would be the 48<sup>th</sup> market in the Southeastern Massachusetts region. SEMAP, which was started in 1998 as a business resource for local farmers, strongly advocates for farmers' markets and CSAs (community-supported agriculture). A CSA is a co-operative agreement between farmers and consumers, where the consumer buys a "share" of the crop, and takes a portion of the farm's bounty for that year. Both CSAs and farmers' markets support local agriculture and local industry.

Meredith Ciaburri, owner and operator of the Rochester-based bakery the Artisan Kitchen, started the Rochester Farmers' Market six years ago to meet the growing interest in local food and agriculture. The Rochester Farmers' Market is located at Rochester's Plumb Corner on Saturday mornings from 8:00 am to noon. Ms. Ciaburri has been working with the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen to help facilitate a Mattapoisett market that would service Tri-Town farmers and consumers alike. Ms. Ciaburri describes the

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Mattapoisett Market as "an exciting prospect."



For Mattapoisett, this move would be right in line with their latest interest in supporting local agricultural industry. Mr. Gagne has also been working with the Board of Selectmen to establish an agricultural commission in town. All of these moves strengthen support of SEMAP's campaign to "Buy Local, Buy Fresh."

### Marion School Reviews FY 2011 Budget

*Marion School Committee*

**By Laura Pedulli**

A regular meeting of the Marion School Committee was called to order by Chairperson Jane



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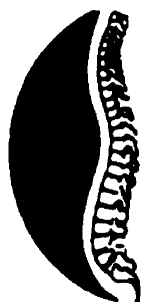


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McCarthy at 6:30 pm in the Sippican School library. Also present was committee members Christine Winters, Jay Pateakos, Joseph Scott, and Vice Chairman Brad Gordon. Additional attendees included Superintendent Douglas White, School Business Administrator Kathleen Isernio, Interim Principal Lyn Rivet and Director of Student Services Teresa Hamm.

In the Principal's report, Ms. Rivet discussed the school's continued investigation of implementing Every Day Math. She also described the addition of student artwork in the school policy handbook. In regard to the school bus bullying situation, she reported that the problems have "calmed down" in part because the driver spent a week and a half sitting in the back of the bus (with another driver at the helm) to monitor behavior. In addition, students on the bus were given assigned seats to further discourage bullying behavior.

Also, Ms. Rivet discussed proposed clarifications in school policy to define "excessive" tardiness, absences, and early dismissals to more than 7 per year (combined). She provided the school committee with information on the policy change in anticipation of a formal discussion on the matter.

Library teacher Jessica Barrett then gave a presentation – which included a video starring Sippican School students – on the "success" of the Winter Reading Challenge "Around the World in 18 Days." Between January 11 and 29, children documented their reading habits and translated them to miles on a map. For every 30 minutes of reading, the children logged five miles on a world map posted on the library wall. Starting from Marion, the students "traveled" the globe and learned about countries on the map depending on their daily mileage. In total, the students traversed 15,608 miles – from Marion to eastern Russia.

Shortly thereafter, Schoolteacher Diane Cooke discussed a sustainability audit of Sippican conducted by the Marion Institute. Representatives of the Institute had visited the school to study the school's overall energy efficiency and speak with students directly about their views of the school's sustainability practices. Ms. Cooke said she was "encouraged" by the experience and

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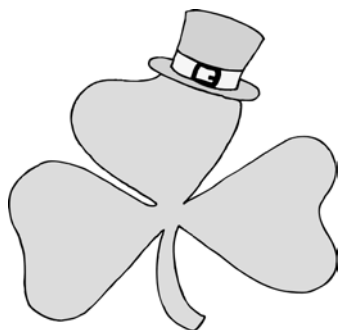
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received positive feedback from children and parents alike. She also described a "warm interchange" between cafeteria staff and Zoe Hansen-DiBello, the Marion Institute Sustainable Education and Youth Coordinator.

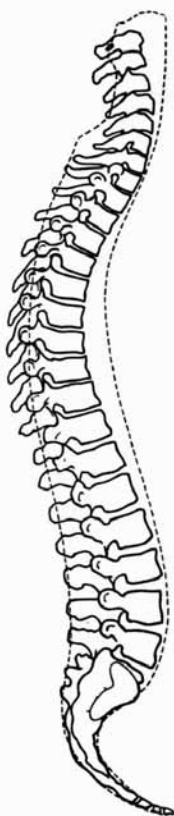
The board then approved the January 20 minutes with changes, including a clarification that the new point-of-sale system for the cafeteria will involve a pin pad, not a swipe card. The new system will be implemented during April vacation, Ms. Isernio said. The school budget subcommittee then approved minutes for January 5, January 19 and February 18.

In her finance report, Ms. Isernio noted a \$24,000 shortfall in the Marion's school budget for the line item on English Language Learning. She said Marion helped foot the bill for district-wide, state-mandated ELL personnel training to teach additional ELL students, but she said Sippican would be reimbursed for funds incurred outside of the school. Ms. Isernio then promised to provide information on rental and revolving accounts to the school board at future meetings.

At this point, Mr. White provided a preliminary overview of the Sippican School budget. After laying out data on enrollment figures, teachers, class-sizes, maintenance staff, paraprofessionals and student services currently offered at the school – the superintendent provided a draft of the FY 2011 budget – 3.79% over current levels at \$5,133,250. Maintaining "level service" would have required a 7.78% increase, or a budget of \$5,330,326, according to the budget summary report.

Mr. White delineated "regular day" costs from special education expenses to provide a clearer picture of the cost cutting necessary to maintain student services as much as possible. Due to large increases in special education expenses – costs for out-of-district programs are \$295,278 over the current budget – the school is required

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to cut \$109,342 from the regular day budget, according to Mr. White. To eliminate \$109,342 from the budget, he proposed cuts in areas including equipment and its maintenance, supplies, lead teacher stipends, training for the now-defunct Reading Recovery program, and the elimination of one classroom teacher. Ms. Rivet said the teacher in question – which affects students going into 5th grade next year – is going on a one-year maternity leave; Ms. Rivet admits that she is unsure how the position will be restored the following year.

Ms. Hamm said that despite failed efforts to establish an in-district program for special needs children, she hopes that one will come to fruition in the future. Although the program itself may not reduce costs dramatically, she said the savings on transportation costs – earmarked at \$183,988 in the draft FY 11 budget – would be notable. She conceded that one hurdle to developing such a program is the fluctuating number of students utilizing the services each year.

In response to concern from parents on the impact of the proposed cuts and overall outlook for Marion school funding, Mr. White noted that the cuts could have been worse and the “fact we were asked to do 2% and we were able to get 3.79% shows that the town is working with us.” The parents and school board then talked about the possibility of a tax override to help restore funding, however Chairperson McCarthy said that the economic climate makes it a bad year to request a tax override.



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"How do we look at raising funds? How do we look at increasing our bottom line without cutting teachers? Because without teachers you don't have education," asked one parent. Mr. Gordon said that one method of raising revenue is renting out school space. The parents then suggested possible ways to reduce costs – such as by "going paperless" in terms of school-parent communication and using doctoral students who need to accrue hours for certification to provide free psychological services. Another suggestion was asking Tabor Academy if the school could provide general assistance – such as educational support staff – to the school.

"I think any ideas that people come forward with are very beneficial," said Mr. Scott. "Hopefully more people will be at the town meeting when these things come to light, put up a stink, and say we need to find money, whether it be from taxes or other funds out there in the town."

Following Mr. White's discussion on the budget, Ms. McCarthy said it was the "worst budget I have seen," but "the best presentation."

The school then discussed a request from the South Coast Community Church to reduce its rental fee from \$380.85 to \$250. The school board chose not to approve the request given the custodial and utility fees for each usage and the fact that the market rate for such a space is \$525. Also, Ms. Winters noted it would set a "bad precedent" and signal other organizations to ask for decreases if it were approved.

In the building subcommittee report, Mr. Gordon discussed plans by the Volunteers at Sippican Elementary to build a new playground; the school would contribute to half the fees, which is \$4,900. VASE is slated to present the plan in further detail at a March 10 meeting. Mr. Gordon also mentioned a pending proposal by Chris Collins to fix leaks in the school's rotunda area.

Mr. Scott briefly discussed the draft of the Old Rochester Regional FY 11 budget and said, "it wasn't any easier than this ... all of the fat will be cut out next year."

In his report on the Tri-Town Education Fund, Mr. Pateakos mentioned that the Taste of the Town will occur on June 18 and two committees – alumni and

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communications – were formed with the united goal of “getting more donations.”

The school committee adjourned at 9:07 pm.

## Village Roadwork Set for April

*Marion Board of Selectmen*

**By Anne O'Brien-Kakley**

A regular meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen was called to order by Chairman Stephen Cushing on March 2, 2010 at 7:00 pm in the Marion Town House. Also in attendance were selectmen Roger Blanchette and Jonathan Henry, Town Administrator Paul Dawson and Assistant to the Selectmen Helene Craver.

Before beginning the meeting, the Board of Selectmen observed a moment of silence for the Schuessler family of Marion. Julie Bliss Casey of the Schuessler family was once a resident of Marion and died last Friday, along with her husband and two young children in a Belize plane crash. Mr. Dawson said that Ms. Casey had family and friends among town employees, and he said that residents were “stunned by this tragedy”. A memorial service is planned to take place on Friday, March 5 at the Tabor chapel, and Mr. Dawson said that the town house may run on a “skeleton crew” while they try to coordinate as many workers to attend the service as possible.

In the first appointment of the evening, the Board received an informational update from Mary Pierce and Dean LaVoie of the Buzzard's Bay Regatta. Ms. Pierce informed the Board that they have been in touch with police chief Lincoln Miller and the harbor master to make sure that this year's regatta – planned for August 6-8 – will be smooth and that the town will not be negatively impacted by the “tremendous influx of people in town”. The Board voted to approve an application for the regatta.

In a second appoint, the Board heard from David Pierce, Rob Zora, John Gregory and fire chief Thomas Joyce in a report from the Water Committee.

The Water Committee wished to update the Board on several projects that they have been working on: a hydraulic model update, a plan to address the problematic water tower in the area of Great Hill, and an



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The hydraulic model with an updated water distribution system study and map would cost \$40,000 combined. An updated water distribution map would detail where water is going in Marion, where the hydrants are, and would show the effect Rochester's increasing need for water would place on the Marion infrastructure. It would also reveal the impact of additional housing in Marion on the water system. This is a long-term project that would require an absolute minimum of 18 months to two years to conduct.

Selectman Henry reminded the Water Committee that they should be working on the Insurance Service (ISO) rating for the sake of fire insurance. If the Water Committee could improve the town's ISO rating, they could save money each year in fire insurance. The Water Committee said that they would work on this and give an update at their next report.

Mr. Pierce discussed the situation with the 1965 2 million gallon water tower in the area of Great Hill. The tank is currently in disrepair, with the concrete crumbling to reveal the iron ribbing of the structure, and the roof is of concern. Once the iron is exposed to sea air, the structure's safety will get "more and more desperate" according to Mr. Zora. Since repair estimates came in at \$375,000, the Committee worried that they might "throw good money after bad" and decided to not repair the structure. Instead, they are going to conduct a study to see

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where placement of a new tower would best benefit the town and will take a "wait and see" approach with the Great Hill tower, which they assure the town is not going "to collapse tomorrow".

In the final Water Committee item, the Board was updated on the progress of the Village Loop 2, which will bring "heavy digging" in the village in April and will end on May 30. While they hope the sewer/water work will end permanently on May 30, it is likely that the work will start back up after Labor Day.

Selectman Henry said that he "got beat up" over the roadwork that took place during the peak Christmas shopping season on Front Street.

Mr. Zora replied that, "it was difficult. The gas main was in the wrong place... we were working in a tight place." Mr. Zora said that "heavy duty digging" would resume in April when they would dig up Pleasant and Converse Streets.

"I appreciate everyone putting up with it. It's going to be tough in the village and we know it... the worst is coming, I'm afraid. There is no other way to do it."

In Action items, the Board approved the following items:

- Two water commitments in the amounts of \$340.70 and 770.00.
- An all-alcohol one-day license to the Marion Social Club for a March 7 event.



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- A wine/malt one-day license to the Zeiterion Theatre for a March 5-6 event at the Music Hall.
- A request for road closure at Holmes Street for the Marion Boy Scout Troop #32, who will be conducting a Soap Box Derby on March 21 between 12:00 and 3:00 pm.
- An appointment of Superintendent Douglas White to replace Dr. Cooper as a member of the Marion Scholarship Education Fund Committee.
- Authorization to go into deficit spending with snow and ice removal.

In his Town Administrator's report, Mr. Dawson discussed the recent "Three Table" discussion with the other Tri-Town Boards of Selectmen, where full K-12 regionalization of schools was discussed. At this meeting, the school budget was presented, and Selectman Blanchette expressed concern about a line item allowing for an "Assistant Superintendent" in the amount of \$9,500. Upon questioning, Mr. Blanchette learned that the position is for a curriculum advisor for the schools.

Selectman Blanchette said that he was concerned the title of "Assistant Superintendent" would allow negotiations for a higher pay if the position were filled in the future. He suggested drafting a letter to the ORR School Committee requesting to rename the title "Curriculum Advisor" to eliminate the possibility of budget issues in the future, and said that he was willing to vote down the budget altogether at town meeting if



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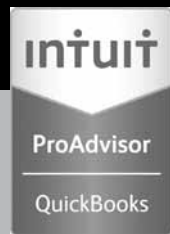
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necessary.

Selectman Henry agreed, though he wanted the letter to express disapproval in a way that wouldn't "attempt to overthrow the system".

"There's no need for this to go all the way to town meeting," said Selectman Blanchette. "Once it goes to town meeting, it becomes contentious." The Board voted to send a letter to the ORR School Committee requesting the title be changed from "Assistant Superintendent" to "Curriculum Advisor".

After a brief update on the police station work – contractors are working on electricity, the roof is complete and windows are installed – Mr. Dawson informed the Board that work has begun on Little Neck Village. In addition, he asked the Board to authorize him to "execute any and all documents necessary... with MassHousing" to facilitate closing on the Little Neck property with contractors E.A. Fish.

In Correspondence, the Board heard from Chief Joyce, who named Wareham residents James Monteiro and Matthew VanDeusen as new probationary fire fighters effective February 8. The Board was also informed that road construction will take place on the Marion stretch of 195 between March 15 and April 11.

Selectman Henry informed the Board that he had also received a letter from Southeastern Massachusetts Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD) in regards to updating their Federal Emergency

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Hazard Mitigation Program. Marion's participation, which would be funded through a grant, would update building and roadway standards to reduce replacement costs in flood plains. The Board voted to participate in the program.

There being no more business to attend to, the Board voted to adjourn at 8:45 pm.

## ORR Committee Presents District Budget

*ORR School Committee*

**By Laura Pedulli**

A regular meeting of the Old Rochester Regional School District was called to order by Chairman Peter Bangs on February 25, 2010 at 6:30 pm in the ORR Media Center. Also present were committee members Robin Rounseville, Virginia Beams, Joseph Scott, John Russell, Paula Meere, Paul Silva and Nick Decas. Additional attendees included ORRHS Principal Michael Devoll, Superintendent Douglas White, School Business Administrator Kathleen Isernio and Director of Student Services Theresa Hamm.

Dr. Bangs announced that the meeting's primary purpose is "information sharing" as it reviews the FY 11 preliminary budget.

Superintendent Mr. White then presented the proposed budget for FY11 for the district. The draft budget is funded at \$15,321,458, which is a 1.10% increase over FY10 levels. A level-service budget would have cost \$15,606,383 or require an increase of 3.01% over FY10 spending. Mr. White said the new budget – which requires \$459,772 in cuts – represents "significant changes to how we deliver services."

Ms. Isernio noted that next year, the regional transportation reimbursement from the state may change. She said that unlike last year, the budget does not provide

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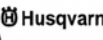
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a built-in cushion for unexpected transportation increases. Thus if the state lowers transportation reimbursement from 56% to 29% - which it has considered - the school district budget could get hit.

During the presentation, Principal Devoll discussed expanding School Choice to raise \$120,000 in revenues for district schools. "Our focus for next year would be to open up 15 additional spots school-wide and not limit them to a single grade," he said, which would equal 24 total out-of-district students. "The reason I feel we can do that is because we have space in our schools and, quite frankly, the ability to bring in that revenue saves us [from cutting] teachers. We feel we are proud of our school [district] as a place students want to come," he said. According to Mr. White, the sending district compensates \$5,000 for each student; six students from ORRHS attend schools in other districts.

Other revenue sources include new student parking fees. According to Mr. Devoll, more than half of schools in Massachusetts charge for parking. Therefore, the budget includes a \$50 parking fee for students wishing to park their vehicles. Given that 25 percent of students opt out of purchasing the tag, Mr. Devoll estimates that ORRHS would sell 138 parking tags for an additional \$7,800 in revenue "if it checks out that way."

The budget also proposes higher student activity fees, including fees for music and sports, and includes projected revenue from booster club fundraisers. Specifically, the school would charge \$100 for students participating in one or more extracurricular activities and \$225 for students participating in sports. Other proposed revenue includes operation and capital assessments, Chapter 70 state aid, and regional transportation state reimbursement. The proposed amount of all revenue for the school district is \$16,353,623. Mr. White did note the



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The presentation also offered a historical perspective on cuts to ORR District since 2003, which include the loss of science, art, physical education, business, library and computer lab teachers and paraprofessionals at the high school, and the elimination of eight positions district-wide, including technology coordinator, assistant superintendent, and early childhood coordinator.

Dr. Bangs said that the budget represents "a fairly substantial cut to programs. The state of the schools is very different since 2003." He added: "I feel we are reaching a position where we are a starving human eating its own flesh to keep itself alive."

Dr. Bangs said that the committee is investigating full regionalization of all Tri-Town schools to help save money in the future. The differing compensation for health insurance for school employees across towns was noted as a major obstacle. Rochester and Marion pay for 50% of health insurance costs, while Mattapoisett



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Dr. Bangs also said that capital needs at the region are not being met. "We are quite willing to devise a means that the capital budget is outside the control of the school budget and in the control of some other body," he said. "Our \$50 million investment [in our building] is deteriorating – we need to fund the capital needs here."

In response to suggestions that the school reopen the teacher union contract with the aim of a salary freeze, Dr. Bangs said that it is unlikely that teachers would forgo their raises to provide supplies and professional development. "We have no hook," he said, noting that this year's budget does not include personnel elimination. However, he said, next year that could change. "The

current contract started before the world changed. Next year when we negotiate the contract, the world will be different," he said. "If further cuts are necessary [next year], personnel will be cut."

"Next year, we will have at least \$450,000 of bodies to cut from the budget," Mr. Silva added. "You do the math... that is a significant number of employees, and they are not part-time employees, they are full-time teachers."

The discussion turned to town assessments. Rochester Town Administrator Richard LaCamera, who was sitting in the audience, said that the school committee and the towns are supposed to vote on the assessment and present it to the town. "My recommendation is to ask the region to allocate the state aid based on the student population," he said. In response, Mr. Silva said if a problem is detected on how assessments are calculated, then the school should go back to 2003 and retroactively fix the problem. Ms. Isernio had said that the allocation formula for the assessments uses the same percentage in its formula since 2003.

"The school committee has no interest in the battle between three towns on how assessment is done," said Dr. Bangs. However, Mr. White promised to review the matter to the satisfaction of the three towns.

The school board adjourned at 7:35pm

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### Roadway Acceptance Hearing Scheduled

*Mattapoisett Planning Board*

**By Sarah K. Taylor**

A regular meeting of the Mattapoisett Planning Board was called to order by Chairman Thomas Tucker on March 1, 2010 at 7:30 pm. Also present were Board members John Mathieu, Robert B. McNamara and Karen Field.

The first order of business for the evening was the Roadway Acceptance Plan, regarding Park Place and Park Lane, submitted by N. Douglas Schneider and Associates. Mr. Schneider began by updating the Board on recent developments on the roadway development and by requesting their help on "figuring out the next step." The developers for the project are interested in having the road plan be accepted by the town, and would like to submit a petition to get on a Town Meeting warrant. The annual Town Meeting is scheduled for May 10, 2010.

A request was made for a Roadway Acceptance hearing, which the Board members decided could be on April 5, 2010 at 7:30 at the Mattapoisett Town Hall.

Board member Karen Field asked a question regarding the impact on abutters to the land. Highway Surveyor Barry Denham answered this question by stating that "all abutters signed off on this before any paperwork was submitted to the Selectmen." The landowners need to unanimously support this project in order for it to be considered.

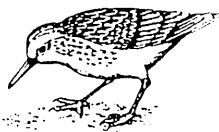
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Mr. Schneider also asked that one final lot in the subdivision, which was never released, be released in order to move forward with the project. A motion was made by Board member John Mathieu, seconded by Ms. Field and passed unanimously.

Mr. Denham then approached the Board with a presentation of an unnamed cul-de-sac in a subdivision, which Mr. Denham asked the Board to consider. Mr. Denham said that a "gentleman wanted to request a waiver for construction in a wetland" and that the cul-de-sac in question would not be built as proposed. Mr. Denham continued, "when you layout a cul-de-sac, the land shouldn't be used for another purpose."

Chairman Tucker responded: "we can take this into consideration when it comes before us. This really hasn't come before us. We'll keep a file for when it does come up."

Before the minutes from the February 1, 2010 meeting could be approved, a few spelling errors were corrected, and then the motion to accept the minutes passed unanimously.

The mail was reviewed, and a motion to adjourn was then made by Board member John Mathieu at 8:01 pm.

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a presentation from Southcoast Health System on February 25, 2010 at the Mattapoisett library. This "needs assessment" program outlined the specific health problems and challenges in Southeastern Massachusetts, including the Tri-Town, and was co-sponsored by the Mattapoisett Free Public Library and the Mattapoisett Social and Wellness Center.

Southcoast Health System is a non-profit "community-based health delivery system" that includes St. Luke's Hospital in New Bedford, Charlton Memorial Hospital in Fall River and Tobey Hospital in Wareham.

Kerry Mello, the Marketing and Community Relations Coordinator for Southcoast Health outlined a Community Needs Assessment that detailed the health challenges unique to the Southcoast of Massachusetts, from Rhode Island to Cape Cod. She describes their findings as being data-supported opinions.

According to the needs assessment, many residents feel that the major health problems facing the Southcoast are: diet and obesity (which leads to heart disease and diabetes), smoking, alcohol and drugs, and mental health issues. In southeastern Massachusetts, only one-quarter of the residents consume the amount of fruits and vegetables they should, and one-quarter of the residents are considered "obese", with Fall River having the highest rate of obesity in the region.

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One of the most troubling issues on the rise, especially in the Southcoast, is "youth risk behavior." Included in this category are underage drinking and teen pregnancy.

"Teen pregnancy in the larger community is a very big problem," admitted Ms. Mello. "When you don't have the funding to address the issue, the rates go right back up."

An issue that affects all towns and communities in the area is that of maternal/child health issues. "These are the most vulnerable people in our population," said Ms. Mello, who said that in poorer communities, the rate of

expecting mothers who smoke was very high – over 20% in Wareham.

Ms. Mello said that they wanted to work on all communities on the Southcoast to encourage breastfeeding and to reduce c-section rates. The audience present at the program was particularly interested in why breastfeeding rates were so low.

"Maybe I'm old fashioned, but I thought breastfeeding was cheap and natural," said library director Susan Pizzolato.

Ms. Mello cited cultural issues and working schedules as reasons why the breastfeeding rate is lower than they would like to see. Southcoast Health System has tried to address the issue by having certified lactation



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consultants at all of the hospitals – St. Luke's, Charlton Memorial, and Tobey (where the breastfeeding rate is currently the highest at 70%).

In their community outreach, Southcoast Health System focused on addressing cardiovascular disease and youth risk behavior, while improving access to healthcare to citizens in the area. A cardiac disease prevention program encompassing area schools (including Old Rochester Regional) gathers information from students and educates kids on how to keep their hearts healthy. Ms. Mello said that middle-schoolers are particularly receptive to the program. "Once you get them fired up, they are great advocates," she said. A lot of that advocacy includes returning home and encouraging their parents to have healthy lifestyles. Sadly, this program also determines that a lot of middle school children are pre-diabetic.

In cardiovascular screening and outreach, Southcoast Health System has affected 35,000 people in the past three years, and there has been a noted 10% heart health improvement among those screened.

Other preventative programs include a youth pregnancy prevention program, a stroke awareness program, youth summits and the Southcoast health van. The van is available to all communities, and it allows for mobile blood drives, health screening and education.

Ms. Mello said, "the issues are kind of daunting and depressing", but the group is still making great strides to address local issue with grants to end obesity, smoking, and keep "Mass in Motion".

Southcoast Health systems envisions a future of improving lifestyles. They want to encourage planning boards to design more sidewalks and bike lanes, and hope that more local farmers' markets will make good food readily available to all socioeconomic groups.

"People think 'I can't afford fruits and vegetables'," said Ms. Mello, "but with education, that's changing."

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**Selectmen Propose School  
Regionalization Committee**  
*Tri-Town Board of Selectmen Meeting*  
**By Laura Pedulli**

A joint meeting of the Tri-Town Boards of Selectmen was called to order by Marion Chairman Stephen Cushing in the Media Room of Old Rochester Regional High School on February 25, 2010 at 7:45 pm. Present from Marion were Selectmen Jonathan F. Henry and Roger F. Blanchette in addition to Town Administrator Paul Dawson. Representatives from Mattapoissett included Town Administrator Michael Gagne and Selectmen Paul Silva and George Randall. Additional attendees included Rochester Selectmen Naida Parker and Richard Nunes and Rochester Town Administrator Richard LaCamera.

Mr. Gagne began the meeting discussing regionalization efforts for trash and recycling. He said he is putting forward a request for quotation (RFQ) for trash services for the three towns. In addition, he is seeking a separate RFQ for recycling services since recycling services are set to expire in Mattapoissett on June 30. He said the effort to consolidate services also may require the setting aside of a corporate highway yard for recycling and garbage trucks to reduce fuel costs. A working draft on regionalization of these services will be sent to each community by March 1, Mr. Gagne said.

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as possible," Mr. Gagne said, adding that the ability to use fewer trucks would represent "big savings." The Selectmen then compared which days recycling and trash services currently serve their areas and all agreed there is ample opportunity to consolidate trips. Mr. Gagne said he hopes quotes will be in hand by mid-April to choose a vendor and decide how to proceed.

The board then discussed the "appetite" for school district regionalization for the savings potential. The need to have "everyone treated the same," as Mr. LaCamera put it, may present the greatest roadblock to negotiations. Specifically, the board acknowledged that the discrepancy in health insurance reimbursement – Marion and Rochester employees are reimbursed at 50% and Mattapoissett is reimbursed at 75% – may prevent regionalization from happening. "Regionalization depends on the unions," Mr. Nunes said.

Mr. Silva said that school regionalization does not just translate into financial benefits. Students from all towns would receive a "better education," he said, because more emphasis would be placed on giving children from each town a similar education so they are on equal footing when entering junior high.

The board then decided to create a committee to study school regionalization. This committee would include a total of eight members: one representative from the selectmen from each town (3), one school board committee representative from each town and the regional school district (4), and the Superintendent as ex-officio (1). In response to Mr. Nunes' ongoing concern that health insurance reimbursement would stop regionalization talks in its tracks, Mr. Silva expressed confidence that "it can be done... it would happen over a period of time." He also said that the newly formed committee could form a subcommittee dedicated to resolving potential deal breaker issues like health insurance reimbursement.

Mr. Gagne also mentioned avenues to explore to reduce school costs. He said using organizations such as the Council on Aging to transport children to the central point for the Bristol Aggie Bus is worth exploring. "You'd be surprised how much money you can save," he said. He also recommended working with other districts to

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General efforts to share resources for cost savings also were discussed. Mr. Gagne said that when it "comes to the small stuff," towns should work at the "grassroots level" to consolidate resources. For example, Mr. Gagne noted that Mattapoisett borrows Fairhaven's VAC truck eliminating a need to purchase a new one. He said "bigger stuff" should be left to boards and committees.

The board set its next meeting date for April 22 at 7:00 pm. The committee adjourned at 8:35 pm.

*School Report*

**Community Events at ORR**

**By Anne Smith**

This week and the following month are filled with community events at Old Rochester Regional. Just last week, parents of both incoming freshmen and of current students were invited to the Parent Information Night, where the department heads were available for a question and answer session. There was also an information



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night for parents of sophomores and juniors about the college application process and outside testing. Both of these nights were in preparation for the course selection process, which is beginning this week with teacher recommendations.

Teachers will be dedicating class time to initialing student cards with their class recommendations, so students should have their green cards with them for the entire week. Starting next week, students will go down to the computer lab in their studies to enter their course selections into the computer. Students who do not have a study should not be alarmed about going to the computer lab; there is going to be an all-call over the intercom to make sure that everyone has the opportunity to input their course selections.

There's a slight change to the course selection process this year. Students will have until June to work with their schedules for the next year, so students are reminded to take time in picking their classes. In fall, students will not be able to drop a class or change class level after the first term. As the guidance counselors have been saying, even now in the third term they are still receiving requests from students to change their level. Next year, this will not be tolerated. Schedules will be finalized prior to the next year.

On Friday, **March 5**, Old Rochester Regional will be hosting its annual Winter Blues Festival. The event, open to the general public, is scheduled for 6:00 pm in



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the cafeteria. Not only have there been film submissions from the high school students in the various categories, but Mr. Andree from the junior high has submitted some films from his archive of student projects. Old students of the green team are especially encouraged to attend the festival in case one of their projects is shown.

Parents who are interested in participating in a free educational program for "Management of Alcohol and Other Substance Abuse Among Adolescents" on Saturday, **March 13** at Mass. General Hospital should contact the assistant principal, Mr. Parker, for more information.

It is almost time for the Old Rochester Regional Drama Club to present its spring production, which is *RENT*. The shows are scheduled for **March 18** through **March 21**. The shows start at 7:30 pm, and the matinee on March 21 starts at 2:00 pm. ORR students who buy tickets at school to the Thursday performance get a discount of five dollars. For all other shows, tickets for students and seniors are \$12.00 while tickets for adults are \$15.00. Tickets can be bought at the door, although students can only get the Thursday discount if they buy the tickets from the front office.

On Wednesday, **March 31**, Old Rochester Regional will be hosting a Health and Wellness Night in the gym from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. Those who attend will be able to meet Amanda Kelly, the 2009 Miss Massachusetts, and Jay Kruger from "The Biggest Loser." There will be



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five demonstrations: one for a new aerobic activity called Zumba, the ORR dance team, karate, KikFit Cardio, and Pilates. Over twenty vendors will have stations set up around the gym, and there will be three health-related seminars. There will also be opportunities for visitors to find health services such as the Southcoast Health Van and Tri-Town Public Health Services.

Congratulations to Emily Bungert, a junior at Old Rochester Regional who has won the school Poetry Out Loud competition. Poetry Out Loud is a national poetry recitation competition that also awards scholarships to the winners. Ms. Bungert will be representing ORR at the regional Poetry Out Loud competition at the Cape Cod Cultural Center in Yarmouth on **March 6**. ORR wishes Ms. Bungert the best of luck and hopes that she will be able to represent us at the state competition at the Huntington Theater in Boston, which is scheduled in later March.

### Sport Shorts

By Yulia Motta

This week was filled with all kind of heart-breaking losses. The top seated teams were overthrown by the underdogs, which ultimately brought the end to their Championship run.

It all started out with the **Old Colony Lady Cougars**. It started falling downhill at the practice before game night. Coach Lincoln “had a bad feeling going into this game because of how bad the practice was.” **Nichole Mareiro**, the Cougars’ leading scorer and South Coast’s top 3-point shooter, was able to score only nine points, which left the Lady Cougars scratching their heads and wondering who would be the hero that saves the game? To the Lady Cougars’ disappointment, no heroes appeared to save the day. Instead, the towering Norfolk Aggie Rams, who out-rebounded the Lady Cougars 49-27,

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walked away with a victory of 45-18.

This was the second time that Norfolk Aggie dashed the Old Colony's dream of advancing further into the post season, and this is the second time that the Lady Cougars had a good regular season, but lost their swagger in the post-season. With only two seniors leaving this year, Coach Lincoln is hoping that his players would return with more experience and improved talent, so next year they won't have to watch somebody walk away with their dream.

Another team that couldn't make their shots was the **Lady Bulldogs**, and believe it or not, their bad luck also started with a practice before the game. During the Wednesday night's practice, as the Lady Bulldogs were

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running though different plays, both, **Erica Belmore** and **Lauren O'Brien**, went for the rebound but on the way down, **Erica Belmore** stepped on O'Brien's ankle, while her body was facing the opposite way. O'Brien heard a crack as she fell on the floor and knew that it was not good. She knew that there was not a chance that she would play on Friday night against Westwood, but was hoping to play in the next game, if the Lady Bulldogs beat Westwood. When Friday night's game rolled around, O'Brien was a true team member – she put on her uniform and supported her team while sitting on the bench. However, she could not help but cover her eyes, filled with tears, as she looked at the final score, 33-53. The Lady Bulldogs were defeated.

It was a very emotional loss, because the Lady Bulldogs really felt like they could go all the way this year. However, the Lady Bulldogs are the type of team that always bounces back and comes back stronger than ever, so they are planning on reloading with fresh talent and bring the SCC title home next year.

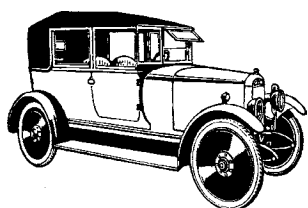
Whether it was a rebuilding year for the **ORR/Fairhaven Ice Hockey** team or not, there was no denying the fact that they were good. They played well as a team, and despite the fact that ORR and Fairhaven are big rivals, they shared the puck, and the underclassmen proved that they could hang with the upperclassmen when they were called upon. However, all that seemed to disappear, as they took on Medway on Thursday night at Tabor

Academy. Medway wore ORR/Fairhaven out, which allowed them to score two goals and skate away with a 2-1 victory over ORR/Fairhaven. **Gage Silva** put his team on the scoreboard, but with **Ray Lawton** riding the box for the final minute due to four penalties, the ORR/Fairhaven team had no other chance to score, leaving them with a heartbreaking loss. Fortunately, the team is graduating only two seniors this year, **Gage Silva** and **Eric Xavier**, so next year they can focus on truly rebuilding themselves and become tough contenders.

*Spring is right around the corner! Check out next week's Sports Shorts for a Spring Preview.*

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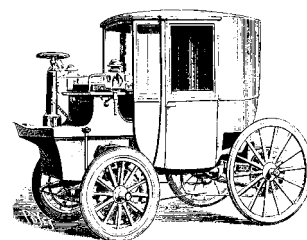
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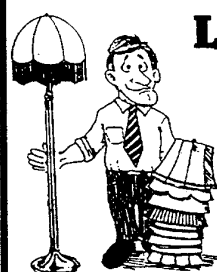
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### To the Editor:

The Blue Book, the handy Tri-Town telephone and advertising resource published by the League of Women Voters of Marion, Mattapoisett and Rochester, is going green and moving toward biennial printing!

When first printed in 1978, The Blue Book was 116 pages long and the result of countless hours of volunteer time by LWV-MMR members. The '09/'10 edition, our 25th, has 272 pages, was mailed to over 8,000 households, and required a team of four paid staff to



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publish. Producing the book demands intense attention to detail and a knowledgeable staff with skills in advertising, finance, and desktop publishing.

The latest Blue Book was supported by 80 pages of advertising and the League is grateful to the many businesses that have been the backbone of the book's financing over the years. But the time has arrived to consider the environmental impact of publishing annually and also the demand it puts on the production staff. Therefore, the League has decided to return to the 1978 premise of publishing every other year. Our intention is to continue to produce an accurate, informative and useful resource for Marion, Mattapoisett and Rochester, only less frequently.

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*Nancy Braitmayer, of Marion Co-ordinator*

*League of Women Voters/Marion-Mattapoisett-Rochester*

**Mattapoisett Recreation**

Mattapoisett Recreation is now offering after-school tumbling classes on Tuesdays (starting **March 16**) 2:15-3:15 pm at ORRHS for grades 7-12. Learn anything from a cartwheel to a round-off back handspring to a back tuck with proper skill progression and form. This class is perfect for cheerleaders or just anyone who wants to learn to tumble. Sign up at the ORRHS or ORRHS front office. Space is limited. Check out the website ([www.mattapoisett.net](http://www.mattapoisett.net)) for more information.

**ORR Health and Wellness Night**

There will be a Health and Wellness night at the Old Rochester Regional High School gymnasium on **March 31** from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. Get Fit demonstrations will include Zumba, the ORR dance team, and pilates and karate demonstrations. Learn more about nutrition and meal planning, cancer prevention, and speak with Tri-Town Public Health Services. You will even get the chance to meet Jay Kruger from the Biggest Loser and 2009 Miss Massachusetts Amanda Kelly. There will be many more vendors and activities at this free event.

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• **High Honor Roll – Grade 9:** Joshua Bardwell, Timothy Gonsalves, Abigail Hiller, Garrett Peterson, Conrad Roy. **Grade 10:** Forrest Cote, Theodore Kassabian, Jewel Medeiros, Megan Merlo, Martha Nakashian, Rachel Vincent. **Grade 11:** Emily Bungert, Dana Dourdeville, Austin Gibbs, Jerelle Jesse, Nathan Murphy, Cassie Normand, Hannah Rounseville, Stephanie Wainio. **Grade 12:** Zachary Cosgrove, Lisa Graves, Natcha Tanrattanawong, Sarah Walsh.

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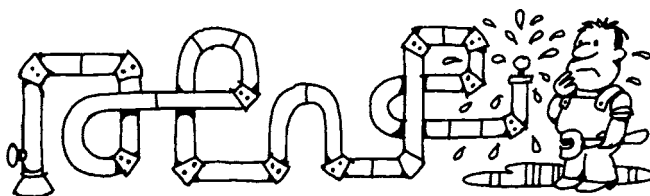
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11:30 AM – White House Chronicles  
12:30 PM – The Tri-Town Business Association Show  
2:00 PM – Music and the Spoken Word  
2:30 PM – The First Congregational Church of Rochester  
4:00 PM – The New Testament Church of Cedarville  
6:30 PM – New England Job Show  
7:30 PM – Gallery Talk – A Presentation of the Marion Art Center  
8:00 PM – The Sippican Historical Society Presents  
Midnight – Midnight Movie

**Monday March 8, 2010**  
8:30 AM – Peek-a-Boo Turtle  
9:30 AM – Fox Robbins Business Show  
10:00 AM – Arts and Ideas  
10:30 AM – Second Act  
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch  
11:30 AM – Peek-a-Boo Turtle  
Noon – Midday Movie  
2:00 PM – Jazzercise  
2:30 PM – Senior Stretch  
3:00 PM – Words of Peace  
6:00 PM – Become Your Own Gym  
7:30 PM – Healthwise Alternatives  
8:00 PM – Sharing Miracles

8:30 PM – Physician's Focus  
9:00 PM – Clean Power Now  
9:30 PM – Around BCC  
10:30 PM – Life Matters  
11:30 PM – The Big Picture  
Midnight – Midnight Movie

**Tuesday March 9, 2010**  
8:30 AM – Peek-a-Boo Turtle  
9:00 AM – Seniors on the Move  
10:30 AM – The Tri-Town Business Association Show  
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch  
11:30 AM – Peek-a-Boo Turtle  
Noon – Midday Movie  
1:30 PM – The Wanderer Presents  
2:00 PM – Jazzercise  
2:30 PM – Senior Stretch  
3:00 PM – Neighbor to Neighbor with Don Cuddy  
5:00 PM – Community Arts in Action  
5:30 PM – Expedition New England  
7:00 PM – HomeFront  
8:00 PM – Gallery Talk – A Presentation of the Marion Art Center  
8:30 PM – The Tri-Town Business Association Show  
11:30 PM – The Big Picture  
Midnight – Midnite Mausoleum

**Wednesday March 10, 2010**  
8:30 AM – Peek-a-Boo Turtle  
9:00 AM – Gardening Rhythms  
10:30 AM – Cooking With Marie  
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch  
11:30 AM – Peek-a-Boo Turtle  
Noon – Midday Movie  
2:00 PM – Jazzercise  
2:30 PM – Senior Stretch  
5:00 PM – Gallery Talk – A Presentation of the Marion Art Center

5:30 PM – Second Act TV  
6:00 PM – Become Your Own Gym  
7:00 PM – White House Chronicle  
7:30 PM – Fox Robbins Business Show  
8:00 PM – Midweek Politics with David Pakman  
9:00 PM – The Possibility of Light in a Cold Place - Peter Stone  
10:30 PM – Life Matters  
11:00 PM – 30 Odd Minutes  
11:30 PM – The Big Picture  
Midnight – Midnight Movie  
1:30 AM – Sci-Fi Journal

**Thursday March 11, 2010**  
8:30 AM – Peek-a-Boo Turtle  
9:00 AM – Midweek Politics with David Pakman  
10:00 AM – Kids a Cookin'  
10:30 AM – Homefront  
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch  
11:30 AM – Peek-a-Boo Turtle  
Noon – Midday Movie  
2:00 PM – Jazzercise  
2:30 PM – Senior Stretch  
5:00 PM – Neighbor to Neighbor with Don Cuddy  
7:00 PM – Reeling – The Movie Review Show  
7:30 PM – The Cooking Hour  
9:00 PM – Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers  
11:00 PM – Music  
11:30 PM – The Big Picture  
Midnight – Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers  
2:00 AM – Midnight Mausoleum

**Friday March 12, 2010**  
8:30 AM – Peek-a-Boo Turtle  
9:00 AM – Gardening Rhythms  
9:30 AM – Fox Robbins Business Show  
10:00 AM – Green By Design  
10:30 AM – Healthwise Alternatives  
11:00 AM – Senior Stretch  
11:30 AM – Peek-a-Boo Turtle

Noon – Midday Movie  
2:00 PM – Jazzercise  
2:30 PM – Senior Stretch  
5:00 PM – Community Arts in Action  
6:00 PM – Become Your Own Gym  
7:00 PM – Fox Robbins Business Show  
7:30 PM – Healthwise Alternatives  
8:00 PM – Homefront  
8:30 PM – The Tri-Town Business Association Show  
9:30 PM – New England Job Show  
11:00 PM – 30 Odd Minutes  
Midnight – Friday Night Drive-In Theater Midnight Movies

**Saturday March 13, 2009**  
8:00 AM – Classic Cartoon Festival  
10:30 AM – NASA 360  
11:00 AM – Expedition New England  
11:30 AM – Kids a Cookin'  
Noon – Gallery Talk – A Presentation of the Marion Art Center  
12:30 PM – Around BCC  
1:30 PM – The Possibility of Light in a Cold Place - Peter Stone  
3:00 PM – Neighbor to Neighbor with Don Cuddy  
7:30 PM – The Cooking Hour  
9:00 PM – Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers  
11:00 PM – Music  
Midnight – Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers  
2:00 AM – Saturday Fright Special

11:00 PM – Latest Planning Board Meeting  
2:00 PM – Jazzercise  
4:00 PM – Latest School Committee Meeting  
6:30 PM – Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting  
9:00 PM – Latest Planning Board Meeting

**ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT**  
**Comcast Channel 95**  
**Verizon Channel 40**  
**Daily Schedule**  
9:00 AM – Latest School Committee Meeting  
11:30 AM – Tri-Town Selectmen's Meeting  
1:00 PM – Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting  
2:00 PM – Latest Planning Board Meeting  
4:30 PM – Latest School Committee Meeting  
6:30 PM – Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting  
8:30 PM – Latest Planning Board Meeting

**EDUCATION CHANNEL**  
**Comcast Channel 18**  
**Verizon Channel 37**  
**Daily Schedule**  
AM – RMS Moon Drop Investigation  
9:00 AM – Life After ORR – Molly McCarthy  
10:00 AM – ORRHS 2010 Talent Show  
11:00 AM – ORRHS Girls Basketball vs. Wareham  
12:30 PM – ORRHS Boys Basketball vs. Seekonk  
1:30 PM – 2010 King Day of Service at ORRHS  
2:20 PM – RMS SL Weather Reports  
3:00 PM – RMS Moon Drop Investigation  
4:00 PM – 4th Grade NASA Presentation  
5:00 PM – Life After ORR – Molly McCarthy  
6:30 PM – RMS SL Weather Reports  
8:00 PM – ORRHS 2010 Talent Show  
9:30 PM – 4th Grade NASA Presentation  
10:30 PM – Life After ORR – Molly McCarthy  
11:00 PM – ORRHS Girls Basketball vs. Wareham

**MARION GOVERNMENT**  
**Comcast Channel 95**  
**Verizon Channel 39**  
**Daily Schedule**  
8:30 AM – Latest School Committee Meeting



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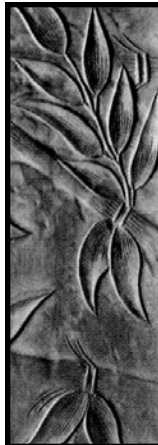


Administered by 2,400 municipally appointed volunteers, the LCC network consists of 329 councils serving all 351 Massachusetts cities and towns. Each year, local councils award more than \$2 million in grants to more than 5,000 cultural programs statewide. These include school field trips, afterschool programs, concerts, festivals, lectures, theater, dance, music, and film. LCC projects take place in schools, community centers, libraries, elder care facilities, town halls, parks, and wherever communities come together.

The project proposal for Old Colony is to continue to work with local artist and author Peter Stone. Mr. Stone will be working with Old Colony's English department on a creative writing and literature project – students will learn the understanding of symbolism.

### ORR News

Old Rochester Regional High School is proud to announce that senior **Jean B. Smith** is a finalist in the 2010 competition for National Merit Scholarships. All finalists will be considered for National Merit Scholarships.



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### Sippican School News

• **Sixth Annual Arts in Action** – Sippican School in Marion is hosting its sixth annual Arts In Action Celebration on Saturday, **March 27** from 10:00 to 2:00 pm. Arts In Action is an important part of National Youth Art Month as it provides the opportunity for visual and performing artists to showcase their talent while actively engaging in their work and interacting with an audience. It presents an opportunity for students and community members to learn about the arts and is a fantastic and unique opportunity to advocate for the importance of the arts in education.

Participants will have an opportunity to purchase items created by local artists as well as from Sippican's



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The deadline to enter is **Friday, March 5th at 3:00 PM**. Those who pick all or the majority of the winners will be entered into a random drawing to receive a special Wanderer gift bag of movie-related goodies. The winner will be announced in our March 11 issue. The Oscar telecast will be on **Sunday night, March 7 at 8:00 PM** on ABC, and the final results will be available on our web page on March 8th.

### **BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS**

- ☐ Penélope Cruz in “Nine”
- ☐ Vera Farmiga in “Up in the Air”
- ☐ Maggie Gyllenhaal in “Crazy Heart”
- ☐ Anna Kendrick in “Up in the Air”
- ☐ Mo’Nique in “Precious: Based on the Novel ‘Push’ by Sapphire”

### **BEST ACTRESS**

- ☐ Sandra Bullock in “The Blind Side”
- ☐ Helen Mirren in “The Last Station”
- ☐ Carey Mulligan in “An Education”
- ☐ Gabourey Sidibe in “Precious: Based on the Novel ‘Push’ by Sapphire”
- ☐ Meryl Streep in “Julie & Julia”

### **BEST DIRECTOR**

- ☐ “Avatar” James Cameron
- ☐ “The Hurt Locker” Kathryn Bigelow
- ☐ “Inglourious Basterds” Quentin Tarantino
- ☐ “Precious: Based on the Novel ‘Push’ by Sapphire” Lee Daniels
- ☐ “Up in the Air” Jason Reitman

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### **BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR**

- ☐ Matt Damon in “Invictus”
- ☐ Woody Harrelson in “The Messenger”
- ☐ Christopher Plummer in “The Last Station”
- ☐ Stanley Tucci in “The Lovely Bones”
- ☐ Christoph Waltz in “Inglourious Basterds”

### **BEST ACTOR**

- ☐ Jeff Bridges in “Crazy Heart”
- ☐ George Clooney in “Up in the Air”
- ☐ Colin Firth in “A Single Man”
- ☐ Morgan Freeman in “Invictus”
- ☐ Jeremy Renner in “The Hurt Locker”

### **BEST PICTURE**

- ☐ “Avatar” James Cameron and Jon Landau, Producers
- ☐ “The Blind Side” Nominees to be determined
- ☐ “District 9” Peter Jackson and Carolynne Cunningham, Producers
- ☐ “An Education” Finola Dwyer and Amanda Posey, Producers
- ☐ “The Hurt Locker” Nominees to be determined
- ☐ “Inglourious Basterds” Lawrence Bender, Producer
- ☐ “Precious: Based on the Novel ‘Push’ by Sapphire” Lee Daniels, Sarah Siegel-Magness and Gary Magness, Producers
- ☐ “A Serious Man” Joel Coen and Ethan Coen, Producers
- ☐ “Up” Jonas Rivera, Producer
- ☐ “Up in the Air” Daniel Dubiecki, Ivan Reitman and Jason Reitman, Producers

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"Little Hands, Big Hearts." Interactive workshops will be available for participants throughout the day. Registration will begin promptly at 10:00 am and space is limited.

Chili, baked goods and other items will be available throughout the day in the café. Local students will be sharing their talents with the community. This will be an event you don't want to miss.

• **Judges Needed** – The Sippican School needs judges for the Sixth Annual Math And Science Fair on Tuesday, **March 16**. Judges are needed for one or two-hour shifts to score projects. A brief training will be provided.

Sippican School is located on 16 Spring Street in Marion.

### Document Vernal Pools with MLT

Vernal pools are a vital breeding habitat for resident amphibians and invertebrates such as wood frogs, spotted and blue spotted salamanders, and fairy shrimp. The Mattapoisett Land Trust (MLT) is offering an introduction to vernal pools and instructions as to how to certify them through a lecture and field trip.

The experience will begin with a slide show and lecture at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library on Wednesday, **March 24**, from 6:30 to 8:00 pm, where wetland scientist Elizabeth Leidhold will describe some of the animals that rely on vernal pools for survival. On Saturday, March 27, at 9:00 am, she will lead the group to the MLT's Grace Pond off of Bowman Road for a hands-on effort to identify some of the animals that have adapted to live in these pools in our own neighborhood. The state forms necessary for certifying vernal pools will be provided to all participants so that they can learn how to properly complete the forms. The information collected will then be used to certify Grace Pond through the Commonwealth's Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program. This will be a wonderful opportunity for parents and children to learn together about the environment of Mattapoisett and how they can help protect it for future generations.

Both events are free and open to all, including residents of other towns. Attendance at the lecture is not required but is recommended for participation in the fieldwork on Saturday. Anyone interested in discovery should meet at Dunseith Gardens, the Seahorse Park, on Saturday morning at 8:45 am. For more information call 508-317-5932 or email [info@mattlandtrust.org](mailto:info@mattlandtrust.org).

### Sippican Woman's Club

"Sail Away Ladies: Stories of Cape Cod Women in the Age of Sail", is the Sippican Woman's Club program topic scheduled for Friday, **March 12**. Author historian, Jim Coogan of Sandwich, will speak on his recent book about 12 women who braved the high seas and shared their ocean experiences through correspondence and journals. His talk will be followed by a book signing.



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All meetings are held at Handy's Tavern, 152 Front Street, and begin with a finger food luncheon and tea served at 12:30 pm, followed by a brief business meeting prior to the introduction of the guest speaker.

The Sippican Woman's Club is open to all women who are residents of Marion or whose interests are in Marion. Please contact Jeanne Lake at 508-748-0619 for more information.

### Men's Tri-Town Softball

Tri Town Men's Softball League is forming and looking for players and teams. If you are interested in either registering a team, or if you just want to play and are looking for a team to play on, please send an e-mail to the address below. Tri-Town Softball will be organizing at minimum a four-team league to play on Wednesday evenings locally from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm, beginning in May.

Look for a website soon but for now if you are interested in being involved, and ideally are willing to recruit players to form and manage a team to play in this recreational men's softball league, please e-mail: [tritownsoftball@comcast.net](mailto:tritownsoftball@comcast.net). Please make sure you include in the e-mail whether you are either playing or entering a team, and include contact information by email and phone. Tri-Town Softball will contact you with specifics, details and a projected schedule.



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## Accomplishments

**Ian M. DaSilva** recently graduated from the Navel Officer Candidate School in Newport RI. Ensign DaSilva is the son of Barbara & John DaSilva of Marion & Nantucket, MA. He graduated from Old Rochester Regional High School in Mattapoisett, MA and St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia PA. He is a member of the Pythagorean Masonic Lodge in Marion and the Scottish Rite in Boston. He is currently enrolled in the pilot program at NAS Pensacola, FL.

## Obituaries



**Karl M. Collyer**, 54, of Fairhaven died February 25, 2010 unexpectedly at St. Luke's Hospital.

He was the beloved husband of Jennifer (Mee) Collyer and the beloved father of Evan J. Collyer of Fairhaven.

Born in Marblehead, the beloved son of Willis H. Collyer of Mattapoisett and the late Barbara R. (Walker) Collyer, he was raised in Mattapoisett

before moving to Fairhaven in 1984.

Karl was well known for his involvement with the Mattapoisett boating community, offering advise and counsel to anyone who sought him out. He was employed by the Mattapoisett Boat Yard for 40 years. Karl served as Mattapoisett Harbor Master from 1976 to 1980. He was an advisor to the Mattapoisett Marine Advisory Board for the past ten years and a former member of the Fairhaven Harbor Advisory Committee. His passion for the William E. Mee Youth Sailing Program remains one of the forces of its great success. He was an honorary life member of the Mattapoisett Yacht Club.

Karl was a graduate of Old Rochester Regional High School, class of 1974.

Survivors include his wife; his son; his father; 2 beloved brothers, Michael L. Collyer and his wife Jacqueline and Craig W. Collyer and his wife Joanne, all of Mattapoisett; his mother-in-law, Joanne E. Mee of Fairhaven; his uncle, George "Buster" Evans of Mattapoisett; several nieces, nephews and cousins. He was the brother-in-law of the late Billy Mee.

Arrangements were by the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home For Funerals, 50 County Rd. (Rt. 6) Mattapoisett. His Memorial Service will be held on Thursday at 10 AM in the Mattapoisett Congregational Church. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to the William E. Mee Youth Sailing Program, PO Box 947 Mattapoisett, MA 02739. For directions and guestbook, please visit [www.saundersdwyer.com](http://www.saundersdwyer.com).

**Christopher J. Champagne**, 35, of Rochester died Monday February 22, 2010 unexpectedly at St. Luke's Hospital.

Born and raised in Rochester, the son of Gilbert P. and Jane M. (Doran) Champagne of Rochester, he lived in St. Cloud, Florida before returning to Rochester last year.

Chris was employed as a special education teacher at Keith Middle School. He was a graduate of Old Rochester Regional High School and received his two Bachelor of Science degrees in Special Education and Physical Education from Bridgewater State College.

Survivors include his parents; a daughter, Cecelia R. Champagne; a brother, Mark D. Champagne and his wife Kelly McLaughlin of South Royalton, VT; a sister, Nicole J. Champagne and her spouse Daryl Isles of Woburn, MA; two nephews; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Arrangements were by the Saunders-Dwyer Home for Funerals, 495 Park St., New Bedford. Remembrances may be made to the New England Organ Bank, 1 Gateway Center, Suite 202, Newton, MA 02458, [www.neob.org](http://www.neob.org).

**Virginia (Carman) Pruchnik**, 86, of Marion died Feb. 26, 2010 in Sippican Healthcare Center. She was the widow of the late Peter P. Pruchnik and the daughter of the late Frank and Ida (Westgate) Carman.

She was born in Wareham and lived in Marion for many years. Mrs. Pruchnik worked as a dietician at Tobey Hospital for many years before retiring.

Survivors include 2 daughters, Eileen Haley of Wareham and Katherine Thompson of Marion; 2 sons, Frank Pruchnik of Rochester and Peter Pruchnik of FL; 2 sisters, Dorothy Waugh and Frances Shuhart both of FL; a brother, Ira Carman of Wareham; 8 grandchildren; 3 great grandchildren. A son, John Roman Pruchnik died in 1978. She was the sister of the late Walton Carman.

Arrangements by the Chapman, Cole & Gleason Funeral Home, 2599 Cranberry Hwy., (Rte. 28), Wareham.

**David S. Perry** age 57 died Thursday February 25, 2010 at St. Luke's Hospital after a long illness.

David was the loved father of Scott Perry of Australia, and Melissa Tuttle of New Bedford. The beloved grandfather of Tyler Perry, Micah Perry, Amber Perry, Timothy Tuttle, Abigail Tuttle and Hannah Tuttle. David was the brother of Mark Perry of Fairhaven and his half-sister Mary Ellen Murphy of Mattapoisett.

Mr. Perry was the son of the late Tobias P. and Dorothy Mary Ann (Sylvia) Perry. He was a life long resident of this area. David worked in the maintenance department at Aerovox.

In accordance with his wishes he will be cremated.

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### Tri-Country Symphonic Band

The abundance of musical talent on the SouthCoast of Massachusetts is brought to the concert stage as the Tri-County Symphonic Band highlights the works of local composers. Stephen Wheeler (originally from Marion) has written a piece especially for the Tri-County Symphonic Band entitled "Skies of Marion." Steve is a former percussionist in the band and is now studying for a master's degree in musical composition at the Frost School of Music, University of Miami, FL.

"Lift" by Stephen Jean was premiered recently by the Charles River Wind Ensemble. Steve has written a number of compositions for small and large ensembles and is happy to have "Lift" performed by the Tri-County Symphonic Band as he is a former member of the band's euphonium section.

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Erik Geil (born and raised in Marion) will lend his interpretation to the Rachmaninoff masterpiece; "Piano Concert No. 2 in C Minor." The three-movement piece has lush melodies, agitated developments and grand climaxes. A cornerstone of the piano repertoire, Mr. Geil will be premiering the concert band transcription written especially for him and the Tri-County Symphonic Band by Grammy Award winner Bob Freedman.

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**Michael, Jillian, Makayla and Bryce Casey:** On February 26th, an airplane crash in Belize claimed the lives of a young American family.

Michael Casey, 32, of Albany, NY, and his wife, Jillian Schuessler Casey, 32, of Marion, MA, along with their two children, Makayla, 3, and Bryce, 7 months, were killed when their plane, piloted by Sir Barry Bowen, crashed while approaching San Pedro Airport.

Jillian Casey was the daughter of Linda and the late Dr. Peter Schuessler of Marion.

Michael and Jillian were 1999 graduates of St. Michael's College in Vt. and left for Belize in 2001 to become leaders of the 75-student Community School located in the rain-forest village of Gallon Jug. Mike was the school's principal in addition to being the 7th and 8th grade teacher. Jill was the 3rd and 4th grade teacher and recently opened a home daycare program. They dedicated their professional lives to educating and improving the lives of the children of Gallon Jug, including raising scholarship funds to send some of their promising students to schools in America.

Mike was a 1995 graduate of LaSalle Institute in Troy, NY where he lettered in varsity hockey. He graduated from St. Michael's with a dual major in political science and environmental studies. He also earned a master's degree in education. While working in Belize, Mike became president of World's Windows, Inc. of Albany, a charity that has ties around the world. The organization focuses on "health education and the creation of self-sustaining communities and empowerment for all people." Mike was dedicated to his family and to the health and education of the world's children. He was recently accepted by the State University of New York at Albany to pursue an Advanced Graduate Certificate in the School Building and Leadership Program.

Jillian Schuessler Casey graduated from Bishop Stang High School in 1995 where she played varsity basketball and field hockey. She was a dean's list student at St. Michael's, graduating with a B.S. in psychology. "Miss Jill" was cherished by the villagers of Gallon Jug for her grace and her loving heart. The only thing more important to Jill than the health and safety of her village children was the devotion she

had for her own children, Makayla and Bryce.

Mike and Jill were married in a garden ceremony on a hillside in Gallon Jug in January, 2006. They shared an adventurous spirit and spent much of their free time hiking, horseback riding, sailing, and exploring the many habitats of Belize. They were both accomplished skiers and shared a love of bird watching, botany, music, and family vacations. They were devoted to their families who had looked forward to their permanent return, with their two beautiful children, to the United States.

Mike Casey leaves his parents, Frank and Penny of Albany, his brothers, Shawn, Chris and Dan, along with his sister Kelly and husband Craig Tynan, with their three children, Casey, 9, Quinn, 5, and Eryn, 9 months.

Jill leaves her mother Linda of Marion, her sister Amanda Dodge of Gallon Jug and her husband, Ben, and their 4-month old son, Payson, and her sister, Melissa Schuessler of Providence, RI, her aunt Sally Presbrey of South Dartmouth, her aunt and uncle Ree and Jim Coymann of Ridgefield, CT, and an uncle, Bob Schuessler, of Vero Beach, FL. Jillian was predeceased by her father, Dr. Peter Schuessler, her uncle, Scott Presbrey, and her maternal and paternal grandparents.

A funeral service will be held at 11 A.M., Friday, March 5th at the Wickenden Chapel, Tabor Academy, Marion, MA. Burial will be in Evergreen Cemetery, Marion. In addition, a memorial service will be held at Mater Christi Church, Albany, NY on March 8th at 9:30 A.M. Donations can be made to the Gallon Jug Community School Scholarship Fund in memory of Miss Jill and Mr. Mike at the Eastern Bank, 340 Front St., P.O. Box 517, Marion, MA 02738. For online condolence book, please visit [www.saundersdwyer.com](http://www.saundersdwyer.com).

*If you have a notice you would like to have included in the Milestone section, please contact our office at : 508 758-9055, by fax at 508-758-4845, or by email at [office@wanderer.com](mailto:office@wanderer.com). Included in the Milestone Section is Birth Announcements, Obituaries, Engagement Notices, Wedding Notices, Anniversaries and Memorials.*

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March has arrived, and so have FORM's Annual Scholarship Concerts!

Friends of Old Rochester Music announces that the Choral Concert will be held on Tuesday, **March 9**, and the Instrumental Concert on Thursday, **March 11**. Both start at 6:30 pm in the High School Gymnasium.

The Concerts will feature the award winning band and chorus groups, from Old Hammondtown, Sippican, and Rochester Memorial Elementary Schools; as well as the Old Rochester Regional Junior and Senior High Schools. All of the proceeds from the concerts go directly into the scholarship fund for graduating seniors who have participated in the fine music programs of the Old Rochester District!

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Bluebird trails have been established in Fall River, Westport, Dartmouth and Rochester and volunteers are needed to check the boxes regularly during the nesting season to keep track of the bluebird population and discourage non-native House Sparrows that force the native birds out.

A workshop for those interested in learning more will be held on **March 7** between 1:00 and 3:00 pm at the Westport Town Farm located at 830 Drift Road in Westport. To register, e-mail [bioreserve@ttor.org](mailto:bioreserve@ttor.org) or call 508-636-4693, ext. 13. Come learn how you can participate in this ongoing project to bring back the Blues.

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# EDITOR'S PICK OF THE WEEK

## **Underage Parties and Alcohol Don't Mix** **By Ptlm. Kevin Flynn**

*Rochester Police Department*

The approach of springtime brings thoughts of proms, graduation, and a summer of freedom to local youth. Many teens look to this time as their rite of passage into adulthood. Kids being kids, many choose to drink alcoholic beverages even though they're under the legal drinking age of 21. Underage drinking is a problem with numerous societal consequences.

As a parent, you may have faced the dilemma: Should I let my teenage children and friends drink at my home? You may have considered the different social perspectives. Some argue that it is better to let kids drink in the more controlled environment of their homes, since "they'll just do it anyway." Others take the position – which, as a police officer I endorse – that allowing underage drinking, no matter how well-meaning, encourages an activity that is not only illegal, but also has negative health and emotional consequences.

Because I'm often asked about this, I want you to know the relevant law that applies in this situation, especially since there's so much misunderstanding.

**Question:** Can I allow my underage children and their friends to drink alcohol as long as they stay on my property?

**Answer:** Massachusetts law only authorizes adults to provide alcohol to their children or grandchildren on property that they own or control. Allowing other kids under 21 to possess alcohol on your property is a crime, which comes with a penalty of imprisonment and a fine of \$2,000.00. This may be per violation: if there are 10 kids drinking on your property, you could be looking at a fine of \$20,000.00 and several years in prison. Also, minors who possess alcohol on your property may be arrested, fined, and have their driver's licenses suspended for 90 days.

Massachusetts also has a Social Host Liability law, which makes you civilly liable for the results of their drinking. By allowing kids to drink,

you risk having to pay substantial money to a child who drinks on your property and then injures himself or hurts someone else, even if they do so elsewhere.

Because of the risks to minors who drink at parties, either with or without an adult presence, police officers may enter a home to deal with the situation. While officers may ask for permission to enter, the law permits us to enter over the objections of the homeowner if facts at the scene suggest that children may be at risk or that evidence may be destroyed.

**Question:** Can I purchase alcoholic beverages for my children in public, as long as I supervise their drinking?

**Answer:** On this Massachusetts law is unmistakably clear: people under 21 may never consume alcohol in a public place. It makes absolutely no difference that they are with parents, grandparents, or any other adult. Those underage may be arrested and, depending on the circumstance, so may the adult who purchased the alcohol. Keep in mind that it is a crime – in some cases punishable by jail and a loss of your driver's license to get alcohol (or just attempt to do so) for someone underage by lying or presenting false identification. Additionally, by doing this, you may be the cause of the business having its liquor license suspended or revoked.

Nationally, motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for teenagers. 31% of teen traffic deaths are alcohol related. Research by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration shows that young drivers (aged 16-20) are increasingly involved in more alcohol related crashes than any other age group. More than 5,000 of them are killed every year.

While parents who supervise underage drinking parties may have good intentions, they cannot predict what situations may result from minors drinking on their property. Underage drinking is an ongoing problem, both locally and nationally, as alcohol-related tragedies continue to take a toll on youth and society.



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### Lyme Disease-Healing at Marion Institute

The Paracelsus Biological Medicine Network, a program of the Marion Institute, is pleased to offer the free public lecture Lyme Disease-Healing with Biological Medicine, on Wednesday evening, **April 21** from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. This program will be presented by Dr. Thomas Rau, M.D. The lecture will take place at Tabor Academy, Lyndon Hall South in the Academic Center, 85 Spring St., Marion. Parking is available on Spring St.

Doors open at 6:30 pm and seating is first come first served. Space is limited. For directions go to: [www.taboracademy.org/about\\_directions.asp](http://www.taboracademy.org/about_directions.asp).

Dr. Rau is Chief Medical Director and Founder of the Paracelsus Clinic in Lustmuhle, Switzerland. He will explain his nutritional, therapeutic and detoxifying three-step-program for Lyme disease, with which he has a high success rate. He will also talk about how this approach has had a long term success rate of 60-80% in Colitis and Arthritis patients, without antibiotics, cortisone or immune-suppressants.

There will be a book signing after the lecture with Dr. Rau. His book *The Swiss Secret to Optimal Health* has reached national acclaim and continues to help educate people about Biological Medicine. It is a truly inspirational book and has given people the tools to help themselves start turning their lives around through his nutritional and cleansing programs.

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### Sara Delano Roosevelt at the Library

On Sunday, **March 14** at 2:00 pm in the meeting rooms of the Mattapoisett Library, the Mattapoisett Historical Society presents Natalie Hemingway, who will give another fascinating program on local history. This program will focus on Sara Delano Roosevelt, mother of Franklin Delano Roosevelt – particularly her connection, and those of Franklin and Eleanor – with Fairhaven, Mattapoisett and Marion.

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# TriTOWN HAPPENINGS



Left: At a February 23, 2010 meeting, Mattapoissett resident Jillian Zucco accepts a letter of recognition from the Board of Selectmen and State Representative William Straus for being a state finalist in the Prudential Spirit of the Community Awards. Photo by Anne O'Brien-Kakley.



Above: Mark Sylvia helped make bagel birdfeeders during the Marion Natural History Museum backyard bird afterschool program. Pictured here, Luke Couto spread some shortening on his bagel birdfeeder during the program. Photo courtesy of Elizabeth Leidhold.

Right: A program to raise money for relief efforts in Haiti took place at the Center School on February 27, 2010. Mattapoissett resident Kimberly Thomas designed t-shirts to sell for Haiti, and made them to be "unique and special just like the Haitian children and the American children who wear them". The Family Fun day at the Center School raised money for the Red Cross. Photo courtesy of Kim Thomas.



Right: Rumors, the award-winning comedy by Neil Simon, opens at the Marion Art Center on Friday March 5 at 8:00 pm and runs Saturday, March 6, Thursday, March 11, Friday, March 12 and Saturday, March 13 at 8:00 pm. There will be a matinee on Sunday, March 7 at 4:00 pm. Tickets are \$12.50 for MAC members and \$15 general admission. Reservations are recommended: 508-748-1266. Tables are available for parties of four or more. The cast of Rumors is: Back row (left to right): Jay Gould, Jay Ryan, Ric Teves; Front row (left to right): Stephanie Caron, Kim Teves, Nancy Sparklin, Michele Letourneau, Mark Letourneau, Ruth Olson, Jeff Gately. Photo courtesy of Wendy Bidstrup.



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### Marion Council on Aging

- **Rent** – The Council on Aging has free tickets to the final dress rehearsal of *Rent* performed by the Old Rochester Regional Drama Club on Wednesday **March 17** at 7:30 pm. Please bring a non-perishable item for the local food pantry. These tickets are for Tri-Town seniors only.

- **Driver Safety Program** – The AARP Driver Safety Program will be offered at 2 Spring Street, Marion on Thursday **March 18** from 10:00 to 3:00. There will be a break for lunch so either bring your own or you may purchase something on your own. The fee is \$14.00 or \$12.00 for AARP members. You will learn defensive driving techniques, new traffic laws and rules of the road, how to deal with aggressive drivers, how to handle problem situations such as left turns, right-of-ways, interstate highway traffic, trucks and blind spots and how to safely use anti-lock brakes, air bags and safety belts. There will be no testing. Please call the office to register.

- **Computer Course** for beginners will be offered in collaboration with the Old Rochester Regional Junior High School students. The four classes will be at the junior high school and will be held on **April 6, 8, 13, and 15** from 2:00 to 3:30 pm. Please call the Council on Aging at 508-748-3570 to register. Registration deadline is March

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## MOVIE REVIEW

# Crazy About You

By Rob Gonsalves  
www.robsmovievault.com

**The Crazies.** Starring Timothy Olyphant and Radha Mitchell. Directed by Breck Eisner. Running time: 101 minutes. MPAA rating: R.

If you think of *The Crazies* as an adaptation of a nonexistent Stephen King story, I guess it'll be more enjoyable. It has a few King trademarks: the small rural place, the laconic heroes doing what they can to survive. It's essentially *The Stand* meets *Cell*. The movie, though, is a remake of a film that predates most of King's published work — a 1973 chiller directed by George A. Romero. The earlier *Crazies* is best seen now as a dry run for Romero's *Dawn of the Dead* — it has the same large-scale focus and a similar dim view of humanity under pressure. It was also, I think, Romero's Nixon-era, post-Kent State don't-trust-the-government riff. The new *Crazies* borrows the paranoia but doesn't seem to emerge from anything personal; it's just the latest classic-horror remake, after they've run out of Romero zombie films to redo.

The infected people in *The Crazies* aren't zombies; exposed to an experimental virus, they lose their minds and turn violently homicidal. If it sounds familiar, that's because *28 Days Later* ripped off the premise and set it in England. Anyway, a plane goes down near Ogden Marsh, Iowa, and the bio-warfare muck it's carrying gets into the local water supply. Sheriff Timothy Olyphant and his physician wife Radha Mitchell start noticing people acting funny. The town drunk wanders onto the local baseball field with a shotgun during a game. Worried wives take their suddenly spacey husbands to Mitchell's office. Soon enough, the whole town is targeted for "isolation," which seems to mean destroying property indiscriminately.

*The Crazies* is acted and executed competently enough (this is director Breck Eisner's second theatrical feature, after 2005's amiable adventure *Sahara*). But the new script (credited to Scott Kosar and Ray Wright) doesn't take the premise anywhere fresh. If you've seen



any of the abovementioned zombie/contamination movies, you will sit through this one entirely unsurprised by anything that happens. The physician, of course, is pregnant, which is supposed to up the stakes, but we've seen so many women-with-child-in-an-apocalypse before — right down to the recent *Legion* — that the trope has lost any power it once had. Funny, too, how the physician never gets to use her medical knowledge after a certain point, though you'd think it would come in handy.

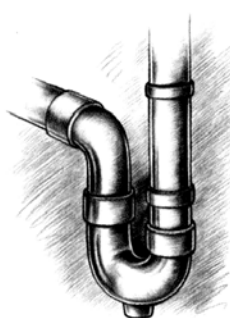
A nearly unrecognizable Joe Anderson (*Across the Universe*) turns in invaluable support as Olyphant's deputy; he keeps you guessing whether the deputy's growing paranoia is due to stress or contamination. The physician's office assistant joins the trio on the run for a while, leading to an extremely unnecessary sidetrack search for the assistant's boyfriend. We don't care what happens to either of them. Olyphant and Mitchell are no slouches, but after a while they run out of notes to play, as does the movie. Romero's original film focused more on the government's hapless attempts to contain the plague (and showcased a much wider variety of the infected townspeople's shocking behavior); this one takes a narrower, less interesting view, sticking with the small group of survivors, and we've been there before. Romero had plenty to say with his film, and he said it loudly and angrily. This one has nothing much to say except that seeing your town overrun by psychos and gas-masked sociopaths would suck.

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Former and current cancer patients, those who have lost a loved one to cancer, families, businesses, civic organizations, and the public are invited to take part in this exciting team event. Relay For Life takes place from June 11 at 6:00 pm until June 12 at 12:00 pm at the

Old Rochester Regional High School track, 135 Marion Road, Mattapoisett.

The American Cancer Society Relay For Life is a family-oriented event where participants enjoy the camaraderie of a team and also raise funds to help eliminate cancer. Participants camp out at the Relay site, and when they are not taking their turn walking, they take part in fun activities and enjoy local entertainment. The event helps communities celebrate those who have faced cancer, remember loved ones lost, and fight back against the disease.

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## MARION

*Log highlights February 21-February 27*

- Mill St – Medical emergency
- Converse Rd – General service
- Abel's Way – Motor vehicle stop
- Point Rd – paper service
- Route 195 East – MVA/property
- Spring St – MVA/property
- Mill St – Fire alarm
- Front St – Suspicious person
- Wareham Rd – B&E in progress
- Beach St – Medical emergency
- N. Great Hill Dr – Fire alarm
- Olde Knoll Rd – Animal complaint
- County Rd – General service
- Wareham Rd – Larceny/past
- Hiller St – Parking violations
- Mac's Way – B&E past
- Mill St – Health/welfare
- Cove St – Burglar alarm
- Point Rd – Suspicious activity
- Delano Rd – Health/welfare
- Briggs Lane – Annoying phone calls
- Cottage St – Fire alarm
- Cove Cr – Fire alarm
- Moorings Rd – Burglar alarm
- Converse Rd – Vandalism
- Front St – Burglar alarm
- Holly Rd – Medical emergency
- Indian Cove Rd – Animal complaint
- Route 195 east – MVA/injury
- Upland Way – Burglar alarm

## MATTAPOISETT

*Log highlights February 21-February 27*

- Industrial Dr – MV general
- Barlow Ln – Ambulance request
- Barstow St – Alarm, burglar
- Stoney Hill Rd – 911 call
- Water St – Animal control
- Marion Rd – Officer wanted
- Rte 195 west – MV violations
- Oakland St – Disabled MV
- Driscoll St – 911 call
- Tallman St – Assist citizen
- County Rd – Peace officer
- Barstow St – MV-lockout
- Hereford Hill Rd – General service
- Fairhaven Rd – MV crash/hit&run
- Jane Ln – MV violations
- Oakland St – Animal control
- County Rd – Ambulance request
- Marion Rd – MV crash
- Locust St – Alarm, burglar
- County Rd – MV violations
- River Rd – MV violations
- County Rd – Peace officer
- Lil's Way – Suspicious motor vehicle
- North St – MV crash
- Aucoot Rd – Fire, other
- North St – Ambulance request
- Fairhaven Rd – Safety/road hazard
- North St – MV violations
- River Rd – Animal control
- County Rd – Medical/mental health

## ROCHESTER

*Log highlights February 21-February 27*

- North Ave – Motor vehicle stop
- North Ave – Complaint
- Hartley Rd – Motor vehicle stop
- North Ave – Complaint
- Sarah Sherman Rd – Domestic disturbance
- North Ave – Highway matter
- Vaughn Hill Rd – Motor vehicle stop
- Dexter Ln – Civil complaint
- Braley Hill Rd – Ambulance request
- Bernard's way – Suspicious MV
- High St – Erratic operation/arrest
- Mary's Pond Rd – Animal control
- Marion Rd – Assist other agency
- Snipatuit Rd – Utilities
- Taber Ln – Ambulance request
- County Rd – Animal control
- Snipatuit Rd – B & E
- Walnut Plain Rd – Domestic disturbance
- Pine St – Ambulance request
- High St – General services
- Snipatuit Rd – B & E
- Burgess Ave – Officer wanted
- Mattapoisett Rd – Alarm, Fire
- Dexter Ln – Animal control
- Neck Rd – Investigation
- Dexter Ln – Paper service
- Mendell Rd – Motor vehicle stop
- Dexter Ln – Arrest
- Mew Bedford Rd – Information only
- Neck Rd – Investigation



## LOCAL LUNCH MENUS

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 Tuesday March 9: Lentil soup, Cajun chicken, country blend veg, multi grain roll, fresh fruit  
 Wednesday March 10: Beef stew w/vegetables, whole boiled potato, whole wheat bread, unsweetened applesauce  
 Thursday March 11: Penne w/ meat sauce, tossed salad w/ dressing, scali bread, mixed fruit  
 Friday March 12: Catfish, mashed potatoes, peas, whole wheat roll, brownie Diet: Graham waffle

### MATTAPOISETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Monday March 8: Mozzarella sticks w/dipping sauce, celery sticks, peanut butter, fruit, choice of milk  
 Tuesday March 9: Hamburger

w/wo cheese on a bun, baked chips, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk  
 Wednesday March 10: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, bread stick, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk  
 Thursday March 11: Taco w/all the fixings, rice, fruit, choice of milk  
 Friday March 12: Early release: Pizza, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk

### OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

Monday March 8: Rib B Que, potato, vegetable, apple sauce, choice of milk  
 Tuesday March 9: Chicken chunks, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable, trail mix, choice of milk  
 Wednesday March 10: Spaghetti w/wo meat sauce, vegetable, bread stick, fruit, choice of milk  
 Thursday March 11: Taco w/all the fixings, rice, fruit, choice of

milk, blueberries  
 Friday March 12: Early release, snack available

### ROCHESTER MEMORIAL SCHOOL

Monday March 8: Hamburger w/wo cheese on a bun, baked chips, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk  
 Tuesday March 9: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, bread stick, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk  
 Wednesday March 10: Taco w/ all the fixings, rice, fruit, choice of milk  
 Thursday March 11: Pizza, vegetable, fruit, choice of milk  
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 Thursday March 11: Cheeseburger, pasta salad, peas, apple slices  
 Friday March 12: Pizza, salad, fruit

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Please join us for the first Team Captain Meeting on **March 3** at 6:00 pm at the Center School Cafeteria, 17 Barstow Street, Mattapoisett. Come register your team, get information on how to participate and to get fundraising ideas.

Should you have any questions, please contact Caryn Hodges @ 508-989-7805 or fna1500@comcast.net or Carol Lareau at 508-758-9229 or clareau44@hotmail.com.

### Mattapoisett Council on Aging

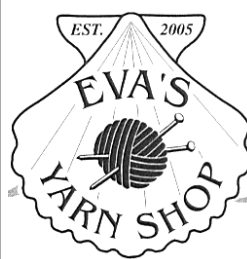
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•Monday, **March 8**: 9:00 Garden Club; 9:00 SHINE; 9:00 Elder Law; 12:00 Fitness w/ Karen; 12:30 Fairhaven Marts; 1:00 Scrabble.

•Tuesday, **March 9**: 8:30 Yoga; 8:30 Stop and Shop; 9:30 Public Health Nurse.

•Wednesday, **March 10**: 10:00 Zumba Gold; 12:00 Fitness w/ Karen; 1:30 Bingo.

•Thursday, **March 11**: 9:30 Public Health Nurse;



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•Friday, **March 12**: 8:30 Yoga; 8:30 Shaws; 10:00

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*Reminders for upcoming weeks:*

• Venus de Milo St. Patricks Show **March 11**.

• Flower Show Trip with Motorcoach \$10 –

Boston, **March 25**.

• FOE Movie: Time Traveler's Wife on **March 30**.

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• Lunch at Old Grist Mill Tavern on **April 8**.

• Tile Decorating Class, **April 16-23**. Call the COA for details.

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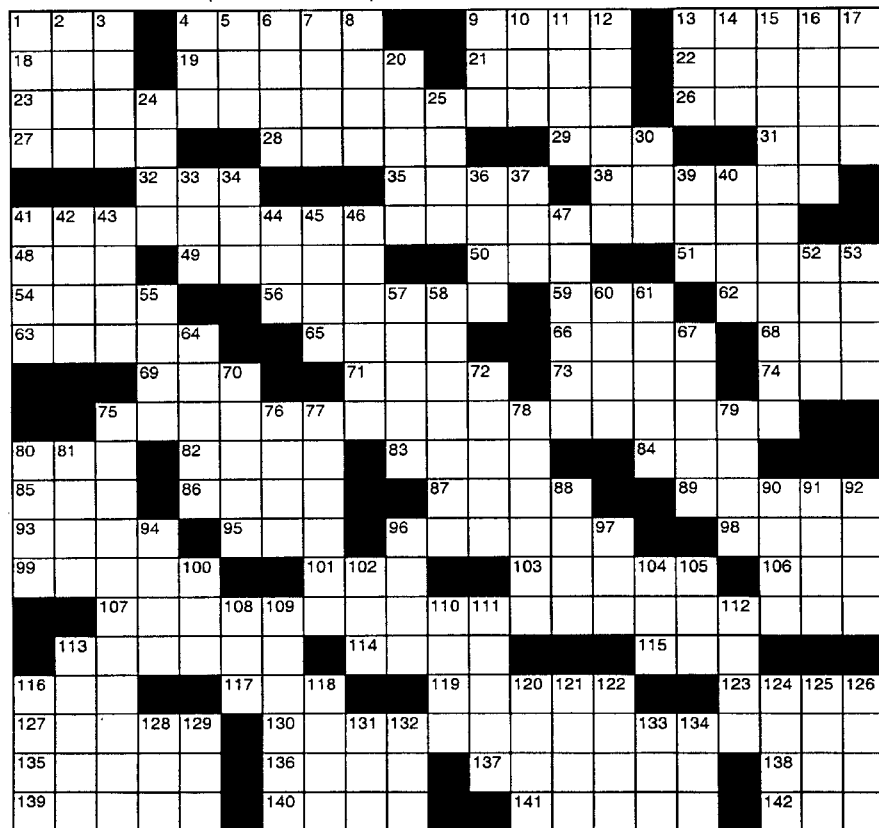
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4 Broadway org.  
9 Presidential pooch  
13 Loudly, to Liszt  
18 Spud bud  
19 Propped (up)  
21 Author Murdoch  
22 Menotti title character  
23 Over-laundered muumuu?  
26 Aquarium fish  
27 Viscount's better  
28 Walked off with  
29 Baby beagle  
31 Noun suffix  
32 Objective  
35 Lose luster  
38 One of the Sopranos  
41 Embarrassed late-night host?  
48 Humble abode  
49 Hawke of "Training Day"  
50 Start to cry?  
51 Pageant prop  
54 Jack of "Rio Lobo"
- 56 Dicta  
59 Seek change?  
62 Coasted  
63 Cock and bull  
65 Sup in style  
66 "Rule Britannia" composer  
68 Call — day  
69 Fili in  
71 — Scotia  
73 Sculptor Bernini  
74 Snead or Spiegel  
75 Tarzan the Studious?  
80 Ingot  
82 Airhead  
83 Fruit-tree spray  
84 Biol. or chem.  
85 — Dhabi  
86 Art deco designer  
87 Sicilian volcano  
89 Humble abode  
93 Gershwin heroine  
95 Wordless greeting  
96 "Every — You Take" ('83 hit)  
98 Cheer competitor  
99 Singer John  
101 Organ of equilibrium
- 103 Maguire of "Spider-Man"  
106 Singer Barry  
107 Undecided activists?  
113 Roman writer  
114 Hit hard  
115 Reverence  
116 It may be fake  
117 Author Umberto  
119 Adjusted an Amati  
123 Lhasa —  
127 Come in  
130 Good source of minerals?  
135 Cold sound  
136 "Ritorna vincitori!" singer  
137 Piston packing  
138 Shelley's "— Skylark"  
139 Versify  
140 Inn offering  
141 New Hampshire campus  
142 Hog heaven?
- DOWN  
1 Actress Neuwirth  
2 Auel heroine  
3 Forest beauty  
4 Request
- 5 "Quiet!"  
6 Dove sounds  
7 In — (bored)  
8 Cuban currency  
9 Evergreen tree  
10 Exist  
11 Speech problem  
12 Take for granted  
13 Too big for one's breeches?  
14 Doolittle's digs  
15 Type of philosophy  
16 Hurl  
17 Panache  
20 Dutch pottery  
24 Sitka's st.  
25 Work in Vegas  
30 By means of  
33 Cover the cake  
34 Wrestling surface  
36 Labor leader Eugene  
37 WWII area  
39 Qty.  
40 Emcee's site  
41 '54 James Arness film  
42 A shake in the grass?  
43 List ender
- 44 Pi follower  
45 Cooking fat  
46 Close  
47 Trinidad's neighbor  
52 Moreno or Hayworth  
53 Inspector Dalglish  
55 Engage, as gears  
57 "— Gay"  
58 Party animal  
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61 Behaves like a beaver  
64 Kid stuff?  
67 Methuselah's dad  
70 Borg or Ulvaeus  
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76 As many as  
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78 Elaborate  
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## SALOME'S STARS

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Having second thoughts could be a good thing, even if you're determined to go through with your plans. You might find it worthwhile to take a fresh look at how things have been set up.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Financial matters could continue to be a problem until you're able to straighten out some of the more pesky situations. Once that happens, the rest should be easier to unsnarl.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Family matters once again take center stage, and should be dealt with competently and quickly. And, again, insist on others taking on their fair share of the responsibilities.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Your creative pursuits seem to be running into a roadblock. But rather than blame outside factors, look within to see if you might be holding back your efforts for some reason.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Keep that keen Cat's Eye focused on relevant aspects of this new situation in your life. Don't be distracted by trivial matters. You need the pertinent facts before making a decision.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) As much as you prefer doing things on your own, continue to accept help if you still need to resolve the problem affecting your project. Some cheerful news is about to come your way.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) While you might begrudge the added time it will take to get your project from point A to B to C, etc., you could benefit from the facts that will emerge over this expanded time span.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21)

Regarding your workplace suggestions, be prepared to produce the facts to counter reactions from skeptics who feel your approach is unreasonable or even impossible.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Savvy Sagittarians will look for work-related answers on their own rather than rely on unproved assumptions. It might take more time to do so, but the payoff is worth it.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19)

Your aspects continue to favor family issues, with special emphasis this week on changes in and around your home. Get everyone to suggest what he or she would like to see done.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) A matter you thought had been settled might still produce surprises. Best advice: Continue to gather facts to bolster your position just in case you need to produce them quickly.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) While your instincts are usually right when discerning 'twixt truth and deception, you could benefit from doing more research on the new "prospect" that you've been pitched.

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A Rochester Rabies Clinic will be held on Sunday, **March 28** from noon to 3:00 pm. The clinic will be held at the Rochester Grange Hall on Hartley Road. There is a \$10 fee per shot. Shots will be administered by Dr. Harry Ernst, DVM.

### Recycle with Old Colony RVTHS

For anyone with garages and basements full of various electronic devices or appliances that have outlived their usefulness but seem too substantial, or too dangerous to discard, the TEAMS Green Fair on Saturday, **March 20** may offer a solution. CRT Recycling of Brockton will be on hand in the parking lot of the Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School to collect such items for recycling. The donation requested for most items including computers and monitors will benefit Old Colony's Green Committee. A fee of between \$10 and \$14 will be required to drop off television sets.

The following are items CRT will accept: Computer monitors, Laptops, CPUs, Servers, CD Rom/DVD Drives, Speakers, Mice, Keyboards, Plugs, Wires and Parts/Accessories of Computers, Copy/Fax/Scanner/Printers, Phones of any kind and Phone Systems, UPS (computer battery back up systems), Camera/Video/Audio Equipment, DVD Players, Stereos, VCRs, Walkmans, Ipods and accessories, Microwaves.

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Recycling is just one reason for people to put **March 20** on their calendars. Between 10:00 am and 4:00 pm, visit the Green Fair on the campus of Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School, at 376 North

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<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS LEGAL NOTICE CASE #636 The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 7:30 PM on Thursday, March 18, 2010 in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House, on the application of Dana and Susan Nilson for a Special Permit under section(s) 8.6 and 8.6.3 of the zoning by-law to allow construction of an accessory in-law apartment within an existing single-family dwelling. The property, located at 116 Converse Road, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 18 as Lot 33H. Robert D. Wedge, Chairman      02/25, 03/04</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS CASE #637 The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 18, 2010 in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House, on the application of Mills Family Realty, LLC for a Special Permit under section 6.1.3 of the zoning by-law to allow construction of an 8-foot porch on the front of the existing non-conforming structure. The property, located at 13 County Road, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 22 as Lots 25D, 25E, 25H, 26 and 27. Robert D. Wedge, Chairman      02/25, 03/04</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT BOARD OF SELECTMEN AQUACULTURE PERMITTING GRANT In accordance with Massachusetts General Law Chapter 130, Section 57, a Public Hearing will be held by the Board of Selectmen on Tuesday, March 9, 2010 at 7:05 pm in the First Floor Conference Room of Mattapoisett Town Hall to consider the following shellfish aquaculture license application by Jim O'Dowd, 3 Harvey Orchard Lane, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The application is for a 5 year plan grant for raising Eastern oysters consisting of a two acre area of water in the N.E. corner of Brandt Island Cove. Equipment to consist of rafts, floating bags and cages. Approximate coordinates are: NW corner 41 degree 37'54.83"N 70 49'15.31 NE corner 41 degree 37'54.91"N 70.49'11.59"W SE corner 41 degree 37'52.05"N 70.49'11.59"W SE corner 41 degree 37'51.56"N 70 49'15.20"W Those interested in making comment written or oral can do so at this public hearing. Licensed field: 2/09/2010 Board of Selectment      02/25, 03/04</p> <hr/> <p>REVISED LEGAL NOTICE MATTAPOISETT PUBLIC SCHOOLS MATTAPOISETT SCHOOL COMMITTEE Pursuant to Chapter 71, Section 38N of the Massachusetts General Laws, you are notified that there will be a PUBLIC HEARING of the Mattapoisett School Committee regarding the school budget for the 2010-2011 school year at 7:00 p.m., on Monday, March 22, 2010, in the John N. DeCosta Cafeteria at Center School, 17 Barstow Street, Mattapoisett, Massachusetts. This public hearing was originally scheduled for March 8, 2010. 03/04</p>	<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 24, 2010 at 7:10 PM in the Town House conference room on a Notice of Intent submitted by LAURENCE E. REINHART for the following work at 13 East Avenue, Planting Island: (1) remove an existing masonry pier; (2) construct a 128'-long private dock with a boat lift (no ramp or float); and (3) place stones along the existing seawall and sides of the ramp. The site is further identified as Lot 71 on Marion Assessors' Map 3. Plans are available at the Town House for review. Norman A. Hills, Chairman      03/04</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 10, 2010 at 7:15 PM in the Town House conference room, 2 Spring Street, on a Request for Determination of Applicability #41D-1409 submitted by JAMES N. CONNOLLY to upgrade the foundation of the dwelling at 92 Dexter Road, Dexter Beach, and construct an attic. The site is further identified as Lot 141 on Marion Assessors' Map 5A. Plans are available at the Town House for review. Norman A. Hills, Chairman      03/04</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MARION PLANNING BOARD PUBLIC HEARING The Marion Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, March 22, 2010 at 7:30 PM in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House to consider the Site Plan Review application of Sardinha Family Trust. The property is located at 454 Wareham Street and is further identified on Marion Assessor's Map as Plat 13, Lot 51. Thomas Magauran, Chairman Joseph Napoli, Vice-Chairman      03/04, 03/11</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 10, 2010 at 7:50 PM in the Town House conference room, 2 Spring Street, on a Request for Determination of Applicability #41D-1410 submitted by ALAN and LINDA P. SOLOMON to construct a 6' x 35' addition on the southerly side of the dwelling at 15 Spinnaker Lane, within the existing patio and driveway areas. The site is further identified as Lot 274 on Marion Assessors' Map 19. Plans are available at the Town House for review. Norman A. Hills, Chairman      03/04</p> <hr/>	<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT BOARD OF SELECTMEN A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, March 23, 2010 at 7:05 PM in the first floor Conference Room of Mattapoisett Town Hall, 16 Main Street, Mattapoisett, MA 02739 upon the application of Carol Lareau, 44 Prospect Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02379 for an application for a new license for Tastebuds Bistro and Catering, 42 Main Street, Mattapoisett, MA asking for an all alcohol liquor license. Anyone wishing to make comment may do so by attending this public meeting. Jordan C. Collyer, Chairman Paul A. Silva, Vice Chairman George Randall, Clerk      03/04, 03/11</p> <hr/> <p><b>TRIVIA TEST</b> By Fifi Rodriguez</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. LANGUAGE: In old England, what was the profession of someone known as a baxter?</li> <li>2. TELEVISION: In what country was "Jeopardy!" host Alex Trebek born?</li> <li>3. MEDICAL: What is the medical name for "the bends"?</li> <li>4. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What kind of animal would be described as "lupine"?</li> <li>5. MUSIC: How many members are in the Mormon Tabernacle Choir?</li> <li>6. GEOGRAPHY: The Mystic River flows through which U.S. state?</li> <li>7. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What would a vexillologist study?</li> <li>8. COMICS: In the comic strip "Peanuts," where was Snoopy born?</li> <li>9. MOVIES: What film's theme song was "Lose Yourself" by Eminem?</li> <li>10. FAMOUS QUOTATIONS: Who once said, "Depend upon it, sir, when a man knows he is to be hanged in a fortnight, it concentrates his mind wonderfully"?</li> </ol> <p>Answers 1. A baker 2. Canada 3. Decompression sickness, often a diving hazard 4. A wolf 5. 360 6. Massachusetts 7. Flags 8. Daisy Hill Puppy Farm 9. "8 Mile" 10. Samuel Johnson</p> <p>(c) 2010 King Features Synd., Inc.</p>

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### Rochester Youth Baseball Openings

Rochester Youth Baseball (RYB) has announced it still has openings in T-ball and Farm League and the league encourages any interested parents to sign up their players as soon as possible, so all kids can participate in the Opening Day parade in late April.

To sign up, download a registration form on the RYB website, [RochesterYouthBaseball.com](http://RochesterYouthBaseball.com). Look in the "Useful Documents" section and download the Registration Form. Mail the form and your payment to PO Box 284, Rochester, MA 02770.

If you have questions, e-mail RYB President Hal Rood at [halrood@gmail.com](mailto:halrood@gmail.com).

### Mattapoissett Shellfish Permits and Parking Stickers

Shellfish Permits and Beach/Wharf Parking Stickers for 2010 are now available at the Treasurer/Collector's Office. A new requirement for 2010 is that proof of residency or property ownership must be presented when purchasing a Shellfish Permit. As in the past, proof of vehicle registration is required for

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The Treasurer/Collector's Office is open for business during weekdays 8:30 am to 3:30 pm. Residents can also access the downloadable Shellfish Permit and Parking Sticker mail order forms, one for Mattapoissett residents and taxpayers and one for non-residents, on the homepage of the Town's website, [www.mattapoissett.net](http://www.mattapoissett.net), by clicking on "2010 Beach/Shellfish Mail Order Forms". Complete the form and follow the mailing instructions.

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### Rochester Republican Town Committee

The Rochester Republican Town Committee will be meeting at the Rochester Town Hall, 10:00 am, Saturday, **March 6**. Any Rochester resident interested in attending can call Fred Underhill at 508-763-5001. Rochester residents are welcome.

### ORR Drama Presents Rent

*Rent*: The High School Edition, will be performed by the Old Rochester Regional High School (ORR) Drama Club **March 18 through 21** in the high school auditorium.

*Rent*, the 1996 Tony Award winning musical, with music and lyrics by Jonathan Larson, is a rock musical loosely based on Puccini's opera *La Boheme* and tells the story of a group of impoverished young artists and musicians struggling to survive in New York's Lower East Side under the shadow of AIDS. The show follows these young artists learning to survive, falling in love, finding their voices, and living for today. The physical and emotional complications of AIDS pervade the lives of Roger, a songwriter, Mimi, an exotic dancer, Collins, a college professor and his partner Angel; Mark is Roger's best friend and an aspiring filmmaker; Maureen is a performance artist who used to date Mark but now dates Joanne; Joanne, Maureen's current partner, is a lawyer; and Benny has sold out his Bohemian ideals – and friends – in exchange for a good income.

Eighty ORR students take part in the cast and crew of *Rent*: The High School Edition. The cast includes senior **Spencer Johnson** as Mark, junior **Benjamin Bungert** as Roger, junior **Steven LaCombe** as Collins, junior **Benjamin Rezendes** as Benny, Senior **Alyssa**

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Presented in the Gilbert D. Bristol Auditorium of ORR, under the auspices of the David S. Hagen Performing Arts Series, *Rent*: The High School Edition, will be Thursday, **March 18**, through Saturday, **March 20**, at 7:30 pm and Sunday, **March 21**, at 2:00 pm. Saturday night's performance will be ASL interpreted. Tickets are \$12 for students and seniors and \$15 for adults, and are available at the Pen and Pendulum in Mattapoisett, the Marion General Store and Plumb Corner Market in

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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### DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

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★★★ HOO BOY!

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Rochester. Tickets may also be available at the door. Please note that although this is the high school edition of *Rent*, there is a mature theme. ORR is located on Route 6 in Mattapoisett. For more ticket information contact Sue at 774-265-0081.

### Marion COA News

- **Senior Tax Preparation** – Tax preparation services are available for seniors on Wednesday afternoons, by appointment. Preparation services are for simple state and federal returns. Please bring last year's tax return, real estate tax and water/sewer bill and proof of health insurance not covered by Medicare. There is no charge for this service.

- **Sandwich Glass Museum** – The van will be traveling to the Sandwich Glass Museum on **March 11**. Please call to reserve your spot on the van.

- **Tennis Lessons** – Tennis lessons will be offered again this year for advanced adult players. The clinic will be held at the Marion Indoor Tennis Club and USTA Pro Alex Pavao will be the instructor. This nine-week session will be held on Saturdays from 11-12:30 for a cost of \$225.00. Please call the COA to register and for more information.

### ORR Guidance College Seminar

The Old Rochester Regional High School Guidance Department will be sponsoring a College Admissions Seminar for parents of high school sophomores and juniors on Thursday, **March 4**, 2010 at 6:30 pm in the Old Rochester Regional High School Auditorium.

There will be a guest speaker from MEFA (Massachusetts Educational Financing Authority) who will provide an overview of the college admissions process. Topics will include: current college admission trends, stages of the college admissions process, college entrance exams, financial aid basics, internet resources for families, and preparing for the essay, interview, and campus visit. Please park in the side parking lot and enter through the gym entrance.

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The Mattapoissett Woman's Club is a Philanthropic organization that plans and executes fund raising events to help generate the revenue for these scholarships and other charitable donations. In offering these scholarships, the club supports educational leadership and helps to give back to the community that has partnered with the club in its fundraising efforts.

To apply and obtain the scholarship applications, contact the Guidance offices at the local high schools or preparatory schools. Both applications will be available. You must be a Mattapoissett resident, and those who are a member of, or have a family member, belonging to the Mattapoissett Woman's Club, will also be considered.

Deadline for returning the completed application is **April 30**.

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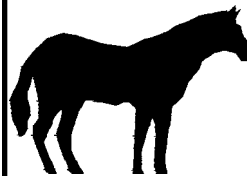
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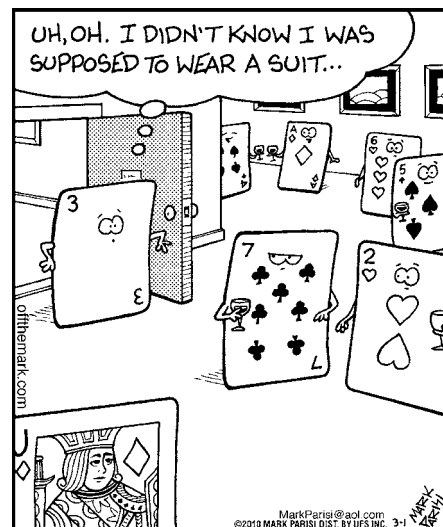
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**off the mark** by Mark Parisi





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### Town of Marion Volunteer Wanted

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If you are interested in becoming a member of this important committee, please respond with a brief résumé and cover letter to the Board of Selectmen, c/o Paul F. Dawson, Town Administrator, Two Spring Street, Marion, MA 02738, by Thursday, **March 4, 2010**.

### Summer Jobs at the Museum

The Marion Natural History Museum is looking for one or two summer program instructors and at least one assistant for their "Life Along the Shore" (Grades 1-2) and "Coastal Explorations" (Grades 3-4) programs.

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### Mattapoisett Land Trust Scholarship

The Mattapoisett Land Trust is pleased to announce the first annual \$1,000.00 "Blanche B. Perry Scholarship Award" to a resident senior graduating by June 2010 from secondary school pursuing an education in environmental studies or a related field.

The scholarship is made available through the Edith Glick Shoolman fund, a bequest left to provide support for children in the community. The scholarship is consistent with the MLT mission of preserving land in order to enrich the quality of life for present and future generations of Mattapoisett residents and visitors and of furthering environmental education in the community.

Along with the application, the following additional information is required:

- A Personal Statement about career goals as they relate to the mission of the MLT, past and present.
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Applicants will be assessed according to academic achievement, pursuit of education in the environmental studies or a related field, personal statement, professional and personal references, community service, and financial need. Preference will be given to individuals who are members of the MLT or whose parents or grandparents are members of the MLT.

The recipient will be selected by May 10th and will be notified by mail. The recipient will be recognized at his or her school's awards ceremony. The award will be disbursed after the student submits a college transcript documenting successful completion of his or her first semester in college to the President of the MLT.

For more information contact the MLT at: Mattapoissett Land Trust, ATTN:Education Committee, P.O. Box 31, Mattapoissett, MA 02739 or by email at: [info@mattlandtrust.org](mailto:info@mattlandtrust.org).

### St. Gabriel's Church News

St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church in Marion is offering a community service workshop: "Before that day comes... Living Well and Dying Well." The goal of the workshops is to help SouthCoast residents to take thoughtful and practical steps in reflecting about, discussing and planning for a "well-written last chapter"

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• **March 10** – Health Care, presented by Ms. Tabitha Tripp and other health care provider(s) to be named.

• **March 17** – Financial Matters, presented by Michael K. Davis, Investment Counselor of Cambridge and Marion.

• **March 24** – Ceremonial and Practical Matters, presented by the Rev. Geoffrey Piper and Mr. Christopher Berg, from Chapman, Cole and Gleason.

• **March 31** – Spiritual Matters, presented by the Rev. Cynthia Bell of Community Nurse and Hospice Care, Ms. Jill Durkee, and other(s) to be named.

Participants should call the parish office 508-748-1507 to pre-register by **February 17**. There is a \$10 registration fee to cover the cost of materials. Saint Gabriel's is located at 124 Front Street in Marion, website: [www.stgabrielsmarion.org](http://www.stgabrielsmarion.org).

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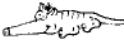
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March 5:	Fri.	11:28	11:57	4:41	4:34
March 6:	Sat.	...	12:21	5:31	5:20
March 7:	Sun.	12:53	1:17	6:40	6:15
March 8:	Mon.	1:53	2:18	8:46	7:36
March 9:	Tues.	3:00	3:23	9:49	9:19
March 10:	Wed.	4:08	4:26	10:30	10:21
March 11:	Thurs.	5:03	5:18	11:00	11:03
March 12:	Fri.	5:49	6:01	11:29	11:44
March 13:	Sat.	6:27	6:38	...	12:01
March 14:	Sun.	8:01	8:12	12:23	1:34
March 15:	Mon.	8:34	8:44	2:02	2:07
March 16:	Tues.	9:07	9:17	2:38	2:40
March 17:	Wed.	9:41	9:51	3:13	3:12
March 18:	Thurs.	10:19	10:29	3:47	3:44
March 19:	Fri.	11:00	11:11	4:20	4:17
March 20:	Sat.	11:45	11:58	4:56	4:54
March 21:	Sun.	...	12:35	5:38	5:38

<b>Phases of the Moon</b>	Last Quarter New Moon First Quarter Full Moon	March 7th March 15th March 23rd March 30th
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### I Found the Aardvark!

Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

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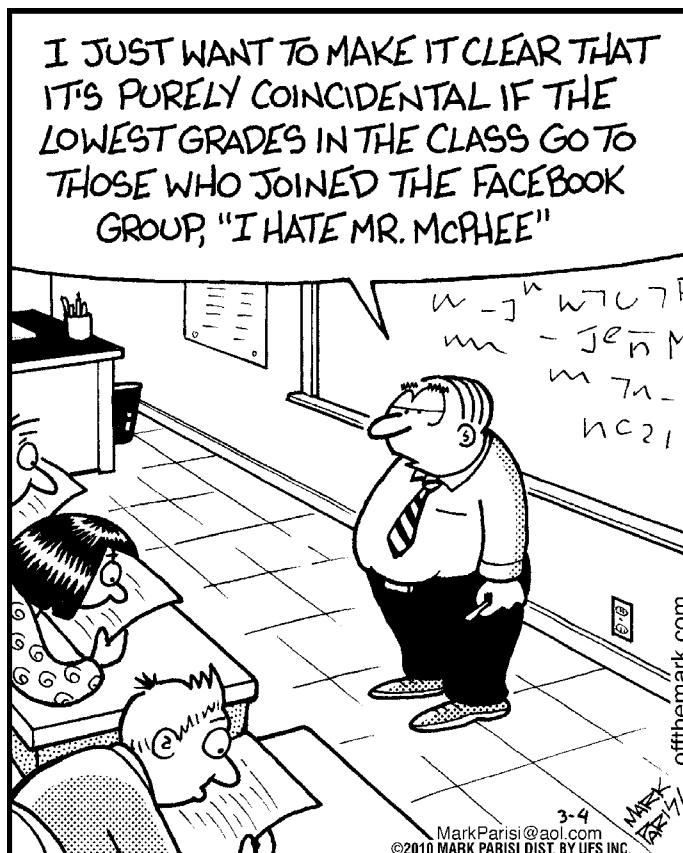
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**To enter visit: [www.wanderer.com](http://www.wanderer.com) and Click on "I Found the Aardvark"**

**In the February 25 issue the Aardvark was on page 48!**

**off the mark** by Mark Parisi



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